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Donations may be sent to: UDJ Food Bank Fund Drive, Ukiah Community Center, 888 N. State St., Ukiah, CA 95482.

A WEEKEND OF HOLIDAY SALES



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Marvin Schenck, curator of the Grace Hudson Museum on Main Street, sits at a dining room exhibit that features a Christmas goose meal as it might have looked in the early 20th century.

By ZACK SAMPSEL
The Daily Journal

For those looking to deck the halls for Christmas, this weekend in Ukiah will be the pinnacle of Christmas-related sales with events at the Redwood Empire Fairgrounds, the Grace Hudson Museum Sun House, the Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County, Holy Trinity Episcopal Church and the Ukiah Garden Club -- all of which are only a sampling of the sales and events throughout the city all weekend.

The Christmas sales get started bright and early Saturday morning at 9 a.m. at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. Inside, the sounds of jingle bells and other Christmas favorites will fill the air as customers shop for items like cakes, breads, jewelry boxes, paintings and more. The sale is expected to run from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. at 640 S. Orchard Ave. in Ukiah.

Although most of the sales begin Saturday, much of the preparation began earlier. At the Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County, located along Uva Drive north of Ukiah, a team of four sisters have been working diligently since the day after Thanksgiving to collect supplies and materials for the handmade wreaths, garlands, swags and baskets they sell as a fundraiser for the Humane Society.

The wreaths are a product of love and dedication from Taffy Montgomery, Mary McClure, Evelyn Calder and Margery Clark as the sisters have been converging at the Humane Society daily in preparation for Christmas. They live in Redwood Valley, Windsor and Cloverdale, and

Bliss the cat lends a helping paw to Taffy Montgomery who, together with her three sisters, is making wreaths to benefit the Humane Society of Inland Mendocino County.



A Christmas tree composed of nuts is one of many craft items for sale at the Ukiah Garden Club on Clay Street.

Calder said it was nice to get time with family. "The thing is, I think it's just fun for all of us to get together," she said with a smile. "Margery and Taffy are extremely dedicated people."

This team of ladies has been making wreaths most of their lives, but with orders for 60 wreaths alone the team is working diligently to fill all the orders. People interested in placing an order for wreaths or baskets can call Sheryl Mitchum at the Humane Society at 485-0123. And for those who don't want to place a preorder, the sisters will also be selling their greens at Rainbow Ag from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 8.

One of the largest sales taking place this Saturday is the 35th Annual Holiday Crafts

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Salmon money from feds on the way

The Eureka Times-Standard

The state is putting out millions of dollars in federal relief this week to fishermen and fishing businesses scarred by the disastrous 2006 salmon season.

The season was all but eliminated for North Coast commercial fishermen, and sharply reduced for Central Coast and Oregon fishermen, due to a poor run on the Klamath River. Fishing guides and businesses in the Klamath

region also saw a tough year, as fishermen weren't able to keep any fish in the fall.

In all, some \$60.4 million in aid came down from the federal government to be split by fishermen, fish buyers, processors, tribes and other fishing businesses in California and Oregon. California secured \$33 million of that, in what is only the second fishery disaster every declared by the U.S. Department of Commerce.

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On the water front...

RV meeting on emergency to be held

By BEN BROWN
The Daily Journal

The Redwood Valley Water District board voted unanimously Thursday to hold a public meeting to declare a water emergency in the wake of a regulatory decision that will cut in half its withdrawals

See WATER, Page 14

Supervisors to talk water conservation

By ROB BURGESS
The Daily Journal

The Mendocino County Board of Supervisors is scheduled to sit as the Mendocino County Water Agency at around 11:15 a.m. Tuesday in the board's chambers to discuss, among other things, water conservation.

County CEO Tom Mitchell said the item, which was discussed by the board last month with no action taken, would be on the agenda regardless of the current water crisis.

"Any water agency should have a water conservation program," he said. "It's an important thing. Every agency should conserve water."

Concerns about the availability of water have been growing since early summer when the Sonoma County Water Agency announced that, without conservation, water levels in Lake Mendocino could drop as low as 8,000 acre-feet by August.

As of Monday, lake storage was at 29,982 acre-feet. The maximum capacity is 122,500 acre-feet.

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Hwy. 20 road work soon done

By BEN BROWN
The Daily Journal

After more than a year of construction, the project that has consistently closed at least one lane of traffic on Highway 20 will soon be complete, according to CalTrans representative Phil Frisbie Jr.

Frisbie said traffic controls will be removed within a week, as construction crews finish up the last of the paving. Crews will return to the site for a few days in

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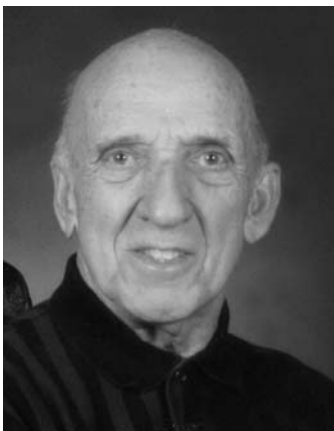
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PATRICK JAMES HEALY
Patrick James Healy, 61, of Redwood Valley passed away peacefully at home on Saturday, November 10, 2007. Patrick was born January 5, 1946 in Ritzville, WA. He had lived in the area for the past 33 years.
Patrick attained a BA from Washington State University. He worked for Fetzer Vineyards for 31 years, total 15 years as the Tasting Room Manager and 16 years as Environmental Manager. He initiated most of the innovative environmental programs that makes Fetzer a leader in sustainable business practices today. He implemented and oversaw a progressive recycling program that reduced waste to landfill by over 95% while production levels more than doubled. He pushed for clean power purchases making Fetzer one of the only wineries to source 100% carbon-free power for its wine and bottling facilities. He was involved in the construction of the administration building which is one of the world's first large-scale examples of Rammed Earth material and built almost entirely with recycled wood. He worked to have on site power to supply three-quarters of the buildings energy needs.
Among his colleagues he was known as "Brother Patrick" for his ability to evangelize and inspire people to implement green business practices.
Patrick was an avid sports fan, gardener, reader of good literature and devoted to his family.
He had a wonderful sense of humor that he kept during his illness and fought his disease with amazing courage.
He was a modest, kind and gentle spirit and will be missed deeply by his wife; Charlotte Healy of Redwood Valley, Ca. son; Aran Healy of Santa Cruz, Ca. sis-

ters Peggy Sander-son of Shelton, Wa. Pam Kauffman of Windsor, Colo. and Kay Fagg of Wenatchee, Wa., brother Tim Healy of Olympia, Wa. and close family member Elijah Wilhite.
Patrick was buried Friday, November 16, 2007 with an intimate graveside service at Ukiah Cemetery.
His friends are invited to a celebration of his life which will be held on Sunday, December 2, 2007 from 1 to 4pm at St. Mary's Parish Hall 900 S. Oak St. Ukiah, Ca.
Contributions in his memory may be made to: The American Cancer Society, Ukiah Volunteer Hospice PO Box 763 Ukiah, Ca. 95482 or Phoenix Hospice 1 Madrone St. Willits, Ca. 95490.
Arrangements are under the direction of the Eversole Mortuary 462-2206.



DINO NICOLAI
Aladino J. Nicolai, age 87, passed away on November 27, 2007 in Ukiah, CA with his family by his side. "Dino" as he was known to all, was born in Lucca, Italy on March 15, 1920, one of six children of Alfonso Nicolai and Armida Paoli. His family moved to San Francisco when Dino was an infant, and his father opened Nicolai's Market at 728 Post Street in the city. Dino attended Buena Vista Elementary School and Galileo High School before joining the family's business, where he was a partner for nearly twenty-five years.

Dino lived with his wife, Mary, and two children in Marin County until 1967, when they relocated to Tennessee. He continued to work in the grocery industry there until he and Mary retired to northern California in 1983.
Dino worked long hours for many years to support his family, but in his free time and during retirement he enjoyed gardening, family meals, and the company of his pet dogs.
Dino was always particularly proud of his service with the U.S. Army in the Aleutian Island of Alaska during World War II. He will always be remembered for his great laugh and sense of humor. Both his children and grandchildren will remember him for encouraging them to "fly away" and see the world.
Dino is survived by his loving and devoted wife of over fifty years, Mary Lankford Nicolai; his daughter and son-in-law, Marsha and Elliot Little of Ukiah, his son David Nicolai of Oakland, and his two cherished grandchildren, Keven and Emily Little.
His family would like to thank all of the caring and devoted staff of Ukiah Convalescent Hospital for providing Dino with a loving and comfortable home and enjoying his sense of humor.



ROBERT HARRY BROWN
Robert Harry Brown born on September 9, 1936, passed away November 27, 2007 at St. Helena Hospital from nat-

ural causes.
Robert was adopted into the Laytonville Tribe and lived there all his remaining life. He was well loved by his community. He is survived by his sisters Bonnie Elliott of Hopland, Judy Arneson of Salem, OR and Phylis Cameron of Windsor. He also has numerous surviving nieces and nephews.
Friends are invited to attend a visitation at The Eversole Mortuary on Sunday December 2, 2007 beginning at 11:00 am. Funeral services will begin at 2:00 PM at The Eversole Mortuary.
Robert's family would appreciate donations be made to his memory sent to The Eversole Mortuary, 141 Low Gap Road, Ukiah, CA 95482

JEWEL E. PRESCOTT
Services celebrating the life of Jewel Nichols Prescott will be held at 10:00 A.M. on Friday, November 30th, 2007, in the Hart Funeral Home Chapel. Interment will follow at the Tahlequah City Cemetery under the direction of Hart Funeral Home.
Jewel Nichols Prescott was born on July 22, 1910 to Vincent and Mattie (Watts) Nichols in Jacksonville, Texas. She was the oldest of six children. Jewel married J.A. Martin Prescott in Las Cruces, New Mexico, and followed him through his years of service in the Army during WWII. Martin was wounded in Germany and honorably discharged in 1945, decorated with a Purple Heart and two other medals. He and Jewel returned to Arkansas to make their home.
Jewel enjoyed gardening, canning and making jelly for her family. She belonged to a home demonstration club. She made beautiful quilts. She and Martin were members of the American Legion for many years, and Jewel was also a member of the Baptist

church. Jewel enjoyed fishing, and in later years she and Martin were well known for keeping their friends and neighbors supplied with the crappie they caught at Caney Creek dock and Elk Creek on Tenkiller Lake. They and their bountiful catch were even featured in an advertising flyer for Elk Creek.
Jewel passed peacefully from this life on Tuesday, November 27th, 2007 in Tahlequah, OK, after a full life of 97 years..
Jewel was preceded in death by her parents; by her husband, Martin; by two sisters, Ruth Brumley and Lucille Wiggins; and by two brothers, Earl L. Nichols and Paul E. Nichols.
Left to cherish her memory are her daughter, Marilyn Prescott Crittenden and her husband Jack of Tahlequah; two grandchildren, Jack Edward (Eddie) Crittenden and Pamela Jane Crittenden Nipper and husband Truman, all of Tahlequah; two great-grandsons, Tyler Prescott Nipper and Kenley Jay Nipper, both of Tahlequah; her younger brother, Bearl Nichols, his wife Rachel and their family in Ukiah, CA; eight nieces and five nephews from coast to coast; as well as many other friends, family members and loved ones. Employees and friends at Cherokee County Nursing Center will also miss Jewel because she had become one of their family, and many of them were like family to her.

SARAH CAROLINE SWEENEY BUTCHER
May 18, 1922 – November 18, 2007
Caroline Butcher, 85, passed away Sunday, November 18, 2007 in Sacramento, California, with her family at her side following a very brief illness.
Born Sarah Caroline Sweeney on May 18, 1922 in Ukiah, CA, Caroline attended gram-

mer and high school in Ukiah, graduating with the class of 1940. Through her early years she enjoyed her summers on the Sweeney Ranch in Potter Valley, CA, where her grandparents were pioneer settlers. After high school, Caroline attended secretarial college in San Francisco. She then became a civilian employee for the US Navy purchasing office during the war, based in San Francisco and then also in Honolulu, HI.
Caroline returned from Hawaii in the late '40s and became an executive secretary for Kaiser Steel/Industries in San Francisco. She met and married Ray Butcher in 1955 who preceded her in death after a very happy 48 years of marriage. Caroline and her husband made their home in Pleasant Hill, CA, for 25 years where she continued to work as an executive secretary with Kaiser and then with Contra Costa County.
In 1980 both Caroline and her husband retired to Sutter Creek, CA, where they lived for over 27 years. During retirement, Caroline enjoyed her friends, her church and was a devoted gardener. Many friends and family appreciated the fresh lemons, apples, peaches and oranges from her yard. This summer Caroline relocated to Sacramento.
In Caroline's last days she spoke fondly of "her" Potter Valley and will rest in peace in the Potter Valley Cemetery. Caroline Sweeney Butcher will be laid to rest on Saturday, December 1, 2007 at 1:00 p.m. Caroline requested no graveside service and the family requests that in lieu of flowers, a donation be made to a local community church of your choice. Caroline is survived by her stepson and his wife, Stephen and Kathleen Butcher of Cook, Washington, and her two grandsons, Daniel and Richard.

Please sign the guest book at www.ukiahdailyjournal.com. Funeral notices are paid announcements. For information on how to place a paid funeral notice or make corrections to funeral notices please call our classified department at 468-3529.

Death notices are free for Mendocino County residents. Death notices are limited to name of deceased, hometown, age, date of death, date, time, and place of services and the funeral home handling the arrangements. For information on how to place a free death notice please call our editorial department at 468-3500.

POLICE REPORTS

The following were compiled from reports prepared by the Ukiah Police Department. To anonymously report crime information, call 463-6205.
ARREST -- Makar Rai, 41, hometown not listed, was arrested on suspicion of inflicting injury on a spouse in the 300 block of Seminary Avenue at 9:58 a.m. Wednesday.
ARREST -- Joseph Ornelas, 26, hometown not listed, was arrested on suspicion of inflicting injury on a spouse in the 1100 block of Mulberry Street at 2:11 p.m. Wednesday.
Those arrested by law enforcement officers are innocent until proven guilty. People reported as having been arrested may contact the Daily Journal once their case has been concluded so the results can be reported. Those who feel the information is in error should contact the appropriate agency. In the case of those arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence of an intoxi-

cant: all DUI cases reported by law enforcement agencies are reported by the newspaper. The Daily Journal makes no exceptions.

CORRECTIONS

The Ukiah Daily Journal reserves this space to correct errors or make clarifications to news articles. Significant errors in obituary notices or birth announcements will result in reprinting the entire article. Errors may be reported to the editor, 468-3526.

LOTTERY NUMBERS

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FANTASY 5: 02, 08, 28, 35, 39.
DAILY DERBY: 1st Place: 09, Winning Spirit. 2nd Place: 05, California Classic. 3rd Place: 08, Gorgeous George.
Race time: 1:48.79.

The world briefly

Police say body matches description of missing student who led secret life

EL DORADO, Kan. (AP) — A body found in Kansas appears to be that of a missing college student who led a secret life as an Internet porn star, police said Thursday.
Authorities said the preliminary physical description of the body found about 50 miles east of El Dorado matches that of missing college student Emily Sander. Investigators refused to give details about the state of the body or how it was found.
Police Chief Tom Boren said the cause of death was not yet

known. An autopsy is planned.
Sander, 18, was last seen leaving an El Dorado bar Friday with a man who has been the focus of a nationwide search since police found large quantities of blood in a Kansas motel room where he was staying.
Prior to finding the body, investigators said they had not found a link between Sander and her activities as an online porn star named Zoey Zane. But publicity about her explicit photos brought a flood of tips, many of them false leads.

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What’s Playing

FRIDAY

DJ DANCE MUSIC -- DJ dance music with Smokin’ Joe; Perkins Street Lounge; 228 E. Perkins St., Ukiah; 9 p.m.
SLY FOX -- Folk with an edge, rhythm and vocals; Shanachie Pub; 50 S. Main, Willits; \$3 cover; 9 p.m.; 459-9194.
DIRT FLOOR -- Americana/rock; Ukiah Brewing Co.; 102 S. State St., Ukiah; 9 p.m.; \$5 cover; 468-5898.
DON WILLIS -- Fall seasonal favorites on the accordion; Ukiah Natural Foods; 721 S. State St., Ukiah; 4:30 to 7:30 p.m.
DORIAN MAY -- Live music; Himalayan Cafe; 1639 S. State St., Ukiah; 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.; 467-9900.
DJ MARK ANTHONY -- Hip-hop dance off; Yokayo Bowl; 1401 N. State St., Ukiah; 8 p.m.; \$5 cover; 462-8686.
WILL SIEGEL & FRIENDS -- Live guitar music; Potter Valley Cafe; 10761 Main St., Potter Valley; 743-2848.

SATURDAY

DJ DANCE MUSIC -- DJ dance music with Smokin’ Joe; Perkins Street Lounge; 228 E. Perkins St., Ukiah; 9 p.m.
KARAOKE -- Live entertainment; Yokayo Bowl; 1401 N. State St., Ukiah; 7 to 11 p.m.; no cover; 462-8686.
HILLSIDE FIRE -- Live music; Shanachie Pub; 50 S. Main, Willits; \$5 cover; 9 p.m.; 459-9194.
SOL HORIZON -- Reggae; Ukiah Brewing Co.; 102 S. State St., Ukiah; 9 p.m.; \$10 cover; 468-5898.
JASON ARGOS -- Jazz; Potter Valley Cafe; 10761 Main St., Potter Valley; 743-2848.
THE BELTONES BAND -- Dance music; Ukiah Senior Center; Bartlett hall, 495 Leslie St., Ukiah; 7 to 10 p.m.; \$8 cover; Adults 18 and over welcome.
ANDY & GABRIELA KONG -- Singer/songwriter jazz; Himalayan Cafe; 1639 S. State St., Ukiah; 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.; 467-9900.
GRACE HUDSON AND SUN HOUSE MUSEUM HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE -- Featuring caroling by the Madrigal Singers; 431 S. Main St., Ukiah; 467-2836.
2ND ANNUAL HOMETOWN HOLIDAY DANCE -- Dancing, dinner, raffle, christmas tree auction; Little Lake Grange; 291 School St., Willits; 6:30 p.m.; \$10 cover; 489-4419.
WILL SIEGEL & FRIENDS -- Live guitar music; dig! Music; 362 N. State St, Ukiah; 10:30 a.m. to noon; 463-8444.
WILL SIEGEL & FRIENDS -- Live guitar music; The Hopland Inn; 13401 S. Highway 101, Hopland; 744-1890.
UKIAH SYMPHONY -- Tchaikovsky; Mendocino College Center Theatre; 1000 Hensley Creek Rd., Ukiah; 8 p.m.; \$20 adults, \$18 seniors, \$5 children and ASB; 462-0236.

SUNDAY

HOLIDAY TEA PARTY -- Mendocino Ballet fundraiser, snacks and Nutcracker; 205 S. State St., Ukiah; 2 to 4 p.m.; \$12 adults, \$8 for children; 463-2290.
UKIAH SYMPHONY -- Tchaikovsky; Mendocino College Center Theatre; 1000 Hensley Creek Rd., Ukiah; 3 p.m.; \$20 adults, \$18 seniors, \$5 children and ASB; 462-0236.

MONDAY

MICROPHONE NIGHT -- Sing or play an instrument; Club 711; 711 S. State St., Ukiah; 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; 462-7111.
RIANE EISLER -- Author of “The Chalice & the Blade”; City Council Chambers; 300 Seminary Ave., Ukiah; 7 to 9 p.m.; \$10 donations accepted.

TUESDAY

KARAOKE -- Every Tuesday; Perkins Street Lounge; 228 E. Perkins St., Ukiah; 8 p.m.; free.
TAHITIAN DANCE -- Every Tuesday night; Mendocino Ballet Studio; 205 S. State St.; Ukiah; ages 11 to 99; 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.; \$8 to \$11.

WEDNESDAY

ADAM’S CENTER STAGE KARAOKE -- Karaoke night at Yokayo Bowl; 1401 N. State St., Ukiah; 7 to 11 p.m.; family hours 6 to 8 p.m.; no cover; 462-8686.
LADIES NIGHT -- Nepalese dance and music by Rai family; Himalayan Café; 1639 S. State St., Ukiah; 467-9900.
OPEN MIC NIGHT -- Open Mic; Ukiah Brewing Co.; 102 S. State St., Ukiah; 8:30 p.m.; free; 468-5898.

Mendocino Veterans for Peace elect new officers

The Daily Journal

Mendocino County Veterans for Peace Chapter 116 elected John Pitts Chapter President at a Nov. 18 meeting in Boonville, replacing Patrick Tate, who stepped down after serving as president for three years.

Veterans for Peace is a national group of U.S. military veterans and associates devoted to working nonviolently for peace. Locally, the group offers speakers and publications to teachers and students exercising their right to gain full information about war and military service.

Mr. Tate piloted Mendocino Chapter 116 to international fame in 2005, at the helm of his bus, “The White Rose.” After transporting Cindy Sheehan from the Veterans for Peace convention in Dallas to visit President Bush at his ranch in Crawford, Texas, the White Rose broadcast photos of Ms. Sheehan being shoved into a ditch by protectors of the President, launching Cindy Sheehan as a world-known peace activist.

The White Rose was taking some peace activists home from Crawford to Covington, Louisiana when Hurricane Katrina hit. The bus loaded

with relief supplies and offered immediate relief to hurricane victims in Louisiana. This began a Mendocino Veterans for Peace commitment to hands-on Louisiana hurricane relief, which saw the White Rose return to the New Orleans area in both 2006 and the spring of 2007.

The group decided to focus on local peace action activities, continuing to offer “counterrecruiting” information exposing the full costs of wartime service. Mr. Pitts, an Air Force veteran who flew combat missions in Vietnam and rode with the White Rose to the Southern states this year, announced that it was time for the group to party.

The group also elected John Lewallen Chapter Vice President, and re-elected Steve Scalmanini Secretary and Bob Wilkinson Treasurer.

All people devoted to working nonviolently for peace are invited to join Veterans for Peace and support Mendocino Chapter 116. The next Chapter meeting will be at 1 p.m. on Dec. 16 in Fort Bragg, location to be announced. To contact the group, call John Pitts 621-2261.

Blankets made of recycled plastic bottles distributed locally by Tzu Chi

The Daily Journal

Concerned about people making it through cold winter, volunteers of Tzu Chi Ukiah arrived at Willits Daily Bread on Nov. 19, around 5:30 p.m., to give one blanket and one backpack to each of the 68 diners there.

The navy blue XXL size blankets are made of recycled plastic bottles. “We not only care for the people, we love this beautiful Earth planet as well,” Master Cheng Yen, Founder of Tzu (compassion) Chi (relief) Foundation inspires volunteers in Taiwan to recycle everything possible. A few creative volunteers invented the skills to transform the plastic bottles into blankets.

On the morning of Nov. 20, volunteers drove a van with 120 backpacks, 120 blankets and 100 sweat hats to Fort Bragg. Volunteer Jennifer Gabara from Fort Bragg, who happily prepared 40 tarps and 20 sleeping bags for those who sleep in the woods, worried: “It is very cold on the coast! They need tarps to stay dry.”

The day before Thanksgiving, Tzu Chi volunteers brought 100 blankets



Volunteers from Tzu Chi, a Buddhist relief organization, distributed 100 blankets adn 100 backpacks at Plowshares on Luce Street on the day before Thanksgiving.

and 100 backpack to Plowshare on Luce Street Ukiah. Within 30 minutes, all are given away to those who need it.

The Thanksgiving lunch

sponsored by Fort Bragg Community Center and other organizations went very well. Nearly 100 people came to enjoy the turkey lunch and receive the blankets and

backpacks. “Only love can save our gorgeous Earth planet,” answered Master Cheng Yen when people asked her how to prevent the disasters.

‘Best Ideas for Masonite Site’ contest announced

The Daily Journal

As an alternative to the huge shopping mall proposed by an outside developer, the public is being invited to participate in a contest to identify the best industrial use for the former Masonite site in Ukiah.

“The possibilities are infinite,” says Judy Pruden of the Ukiah Valley Smart Growth Coalition. The citizens’ group is sponsoring a contest to bring forth the most creative, practical ideas for future industrial development.

The Smart Growth Coalition has an array of prizes for contest winners donated by local merchants who share their opposition to the rezoning of the Masonite site for a big box retail center. The prizes range from cases of wine, to a year’s supply of fresh bread, to a restaurant dinner for two. (see list below)

Contest entries must propose feasible economic development that will make use of the site’s current industrial zoning, said Pruden. Entries will be judged on their practicality but also on the benefit they would provide to the community. “Good paying jobs are a big concern,” she said. “Not just more retail jobs.”

This 68-acre property on the north edge of Ukiah is the largest heavy industrial site remaining in the inland portion of Mendocino County.

“The controversy over the site has

sparked a real ferment of creative ideas for better things that can be done with it,” said Pruden. “We want to draw forth those better ideas and honor them. It could well lead to an actual business project once the shopping center developer has left town.”

In addition to the contest, the Coalition is contacting business development organizations and publications throughout the nation to bring attention to possibilities for the site’s future industrial revival. Pruden noted that there have been calls from timber industry leaders for preservation of the site for a timber byproducts business like the former Masonite Co. that will take advantage of the regrowth of the county’s forestlands.

She also said that there have been numerous suggestions that the site could become a center for alternative energy development, or an incubator for small scale local industry.

Entries should include a one-paragraph summary, a description of the proposed product or service, a discussion of implementation, and the benefits the idea would bring to the community. Entries must be submitted by Jan. 15, 2008 to the Ukiah Valley Smart Growth Coalition, P.O. Box 597, Ukiah, CA 95482.

Questions about the contest can be emailed to smartgrowthuk@yahoo.com.

Posters and fliers for the contest can be viewed at <http://briefcase.yahoo.com/bc/sherryglavich/1st?.dir=/>

The most deserving entries, as chosen by the contest judges, will choose their own prizes from the following list:

- Shoefly @ Sox: \$75 gift certificate
- Mulligan Books: \$50 gift certificate
- Ukiah Brewing Co: gala dinner for two and two Ukiah Brewing Co. t-shirts
- Germain-Robin: bottle of Barrel Select XO brandy
- Janet Rosen: 20”x30” acrylic painting, “Valley, April,” can be viewed at www.zanshinart.com/FineArt/ValleyApril.jpg
- McFadden Farm: 2 cases assorted organic wines
- Dragon’s Lair: \$50 gift certificate
- Boutique 120: \$50 gift certificate
- Mendocino Book Company: \$50 gift certificate
- Tierra Art Garden Wine: \$35 gift certificate
- Three Sisters: \$30 gift certificate
- Schat’s Bakery: 1 load of bread every week for a year
- Freedom Skate Shop: \$50 gift certificate
- Dripworks: \$50 Row Crop Irrigation Kit
- Yokayo Biodiesel: 50 gallons of biodiesel

462-9196 or by e-mail at porter@projectsanctuary.org or ana@projectsanctuary.org.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Redwood Empire Fair dates will not change

The Redwood Empire Fair Board of Directors has announced that the projected date change for the annual 12th District Agricultural Association fair in Ukiah to the last week in August will not happen as planned.

For many years now the Fair has been held the second week in August and the board has been able to obtain a carnival operator as well as assurances from vendors that will allow the Fair to keep the dates of Aug. 7 through 10.

The Fair Board took into consideration a number of factors including a past history of fair dates, the feasibility of continuing to attract quality vendors to the Fair, and local school schedules. “Timeless Magic” will be the 2008 Redwood Empire Fair theme.

“Using a Fair theme allows the Fair staff and all the department supervisors to decorate around a cohesive theme. It is also serves as the theme for many classes in our annual competition,” explains CEO, Jennifer Seward.

Annual Adopt-A-Family program gearing up

Project Sanctuary is inviting community members to participate in its annual “Adopt-A Family” gift-giving program. “Adopt-A-Family” provides an opportunity to “adopt” a family in emotional and financial crisis during the holiday season and provide gifts during a stressful time when resources are scarce. Participants receive some basic information on their adopted family like the gender and ages of the children in the family, sometimes even a wish list is available.

The gifts are then brought to Project Sanctuary and dispersed to the adopted family in time for the holidays.

Adopt-A-Family coordinator Porter Dinehart is “...amazed at the generosity of the people who participate in this program. It’s one of the busiest times of the year and one of the most stressful, yet people still come forward year after year to help out. It adds an extra “to-do” to their lists but still they want to participate. I’m so grateful for all they do.”

All giving and receiving is anonymous. Those interested in adopting a family can contact Porter Dinehart or Ana Araiza at

Salvation Army seeking bell ringers

The Salvation Army is seeking volunteer Bell Ringers for the 2007 Christmas Kettle fundraiser from Nov. 20 to Dec. 22. The money collected goes into the Temporary Emergency Assistance Fund for the homeless and needy, summer youth camps, and children’s school clothes.

Those interesting in volunteering can sign up by calling Janet Cetani at 468-9577. Monetary donations can be sent to: Salvation Army, 714 A S. State St., Ukiah, Ca. 95482.

UCC Food Bank Christmas Basket Program program has begun

Once again the Ukiah Community Center Food Bank will begin their sign up campaign for low-income families to receive a bountiful Christmas meal.

Sign ups began on Monday, Nov. 26, and end on Monday, Dec. 10. Anyone wishing to sign up can go to the Ukiah Community Center office during their regular business hours which are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. They will also be taking names on their regular Saturday distribution, Dec. 1 and 8, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Families are eligible to sign up for only one holiday food basket, either Thanksgiving or Christmas. So, Those that signed up for Thanksgiving are not eligible to receive a basket at Christmas. Anyone who missed their Thanksgiving Baskets are urged to go and sign up for Christmas.

The Food Bank is expecting more than 300 participants for their Christmas baskets and they are asking for the community’s help for donations.

They will be in need of turkeys, hams and canned goods such as cranberry sauce, yams, vegetables, pumpkin pie filling and fruit cocktail. Other items needed are stuffing mix, dinner rolls and fresh vegetables.

Donation barrels will be located throughout Ukiah, including local grocery stores and many local businesses.

Once again, the Food Bank depends on the community’s generosity which will help provide a holiday meal for many low-income families in need. Donations can also be dropped off at the Food Bank location, 888 N. State St. during regular business hours.

Please keep in mind that the DCC Food Bank relies mainly on local donations for holiday baskets, as well as the Ukiah Daily Journal Holiday Drive.

Letters from our readers

Chicken Little in action

To the Editor:
Have you noticed, as I have, the number of “Chicken Littles” we have in Mendocino County? If some multi-billionaire said that he really liked the area, and wanted to buy every home in this county and let all the people own those homes, live in them for the rest of their lives, free of charge, no strings attached, there would be a multitude of Chicken Littles screaming “He’s Big Business, we don’t want him, kick him out.”

I saw that happened when Wal-Mart applied for a permit to build. “We’re going to lose our way of life, Wal-Mart would be the only business left in town, keep Wal-Mart out or we’re doomed.”

When KMart wanted to build their super store, the Chicken Littles came out in force. “The sky is falling, the mountains are going to fall, we can’t allow it. Our economy will suffer.”

Then came Walgreens. Boy did the roof come off on that one, the Chicken Littles came out in full force. As Fred Sanford used to say, “This is the big one, Lizbeth.” They’re sure going to ruin us this time. If they cut down those trees, it will never rain again in Northern California. We will become another Sahara Desert.

Safeway wanted to build a service station at their store here in Ukiah. Well, the Chicken Littles raised their voices again. The traffic will be horrible, the people will come from all over California to buy gas there, you won’t be able to travel on State or Gobbi streets.

While they did get that one stopped, the Willits Safeway was allowed to build a service station, so now the people in Willits pay from 10 to 20 cents a gallon less than we do here in Ukiah. Who was smartest?

Now the Chicken Littles are in paradise. They have a big one this time. Masonite. The red flag really went up on this one. The plant is already 85 percent demolished, and the Chicken Littles are trying to get them stopped. How stupid. The Chicken Littles and the environmentalists are the ones that shut the Masonite plant down. It was just too costly for them to operate here with all the restrictions, and not only that, but the Chicken Littles and the environmentalists have shut down most of the timber industry. Now they are saying no box stores in the Masonite site, hold out for industry.

You tell me what big industry would want to settle in Ukiah? If there is even a rumor that a big industrial company is even thinking about it, the Chicken Littles and the environmentalists jump on the rumor: “We don’t want that here.”

So, we will have to settle for the box store employment. If it weren’t for the ones we already have, there would be a lot more unemployed people in this town. Without jobs, there would be no money, and without money, there would be no taxes and without taxes, Pinches, Wattenburger, and the others could not give themselves huge wage increases.

Now I will tell you this: there is one industry that the Chicken Littles and the environmentalists and a lot of others would not only welcome, but do so with open arms, even to the point of bowing down and kneeling before its mighty gates.

That is to say, if R.J. Reynolds decided to put a plant in Ukiah to manufacture marijuana cigarettes, that would not only be welcomed, but it would be worshipped.

So, for you Chicken Littles: the sky is not falling. It’s a rumor.

**Tiny Harris
Ukiah**

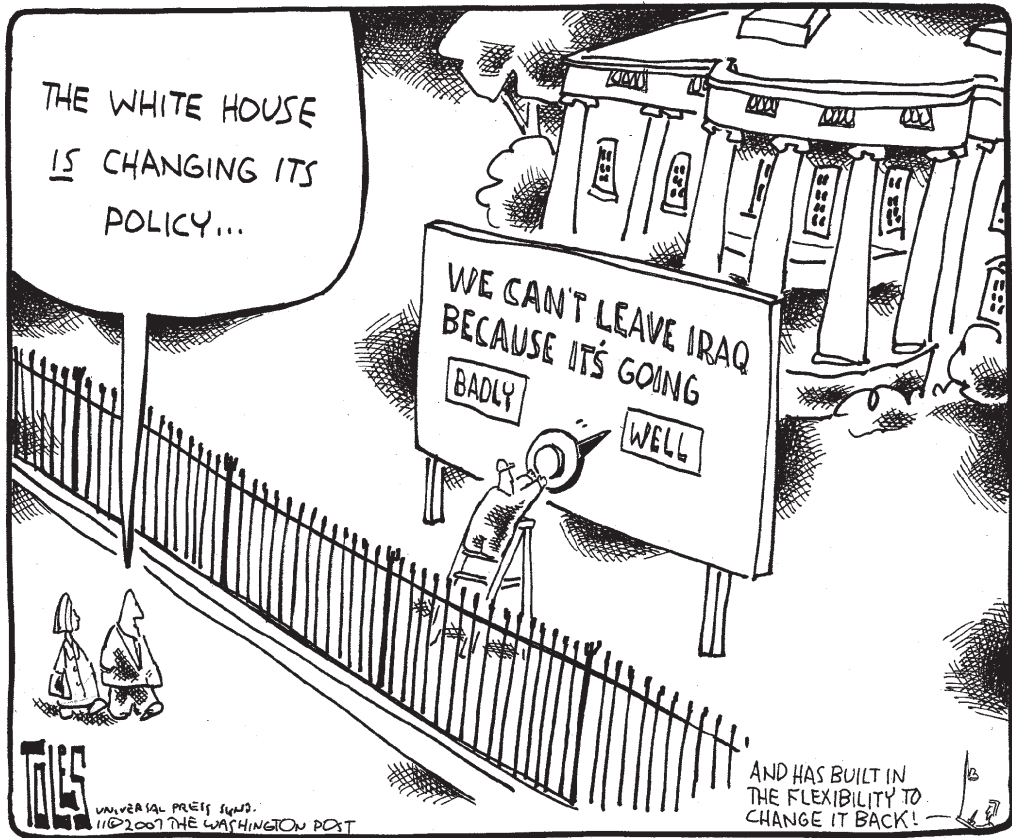
Rent increases will hurt seniors

To the Editor:
Big Business has arrived in Ukiah. A beautiful way of life is disappearing.

On Oct. 8, 2007 a large corporation, R.T. Enterprises from Modesto, bought Rancho Del Rey Senior Mobile Home Park, where 95 other residents and myself have been living and enjoying a comfortable and affordable homes. That contentment came

LETTER POLICY

The Daily Journal welcomes letters to the editor. All letters must include a clear name, signature, return address and phone number. Letters chosen for publication are generally published in the order they are received, but shorter, concise letters are given preference. We publish most of the letters we receive, but we cannot guarantee publication. Names will not be withheld for any reason. If we are aware that you are connected to a local organization or are an elected official writing about the organization or body on which you serve, that will be included in your signature. If you want to make it clear you are not speaking for that organization, you should do so in your letter. All letters are subject to editing without notice. Editing is generally limited to removing statements that are potentially libelous or are not suitable for a family newspaper. Form letters that are clearly part of a write-in campaign will not be published. You may drop letters off at our office at 590 S. School St., or fax letters to 468-3544, mail to Letters to the Editor, P.O. Box 749, Ukiah, 95482 or e-mail them to udj@pacific.net. E-mail letters should also include hometown and a phone number.



to an end when we received our notice of a rent increase of \$51 a month. Yes, that’s right, \$51 a month. Did I miss something? Is our Social Security going up that much? No, it is not. We were expecting a raise in rent but hoped it would be a reasonable one. Boy, were we blindsided.

A local resident and a silent partner in Santa Rosa previously owned this Park for 35 years. The Ukiah owner was in this Park every day doing repairs, adding improvements, and being available to the residents if they had any problems. He never raised the rent more than \$10 a year. He provided us with many extras including a lovely Christmas Party every year at the Senior Center. When he sold to the silent partner three years ago our monthly rent was \$285. When the silent partner sold to the corporation our rent was \$379.95 per month (this included \$24.95 city sewer charge). Rancho Del Rey Senior Mobile Home Park is now the highest rent in Ukiah at \$430.95 a month. And believe me, from the looks of things we are going to be getting a lot less for our money.

I guess the moral of this story is to be very careful when buying into a mobile home park, because the sharks and vultures are out there. Ask a lot of questions like: Who owns the Park? What is their history of rental raises? What are the proposed improvements? Is the manager accessible? When many seniors buy into these parks they have limited funds and no expectation of more income and many have to choose eating or paying the rent. This Park should be re-named to R.T. Enterprises’ Cash Cow.

I hope when R.T. Enterprises’ Cash Cow begins making calls for service from local plumbers, gardeners, and maintenance personnel that they have read this letter and charge this outfit accordingly.

**Kathryn Schapmire
Ukiah**

Stay out of my business

To the Editor:
Someone who has spent a good deal of time in the audience of the BOS feels she has a more clear picture of what the people need. That alone would steer me away. I don’t like it when someone that wants to sit in a public office says things like, “The time to plan for our economic future is now.” Well, my economic plans are no business of politicians so she must be talking about the economic future of the City. That stands directly on the backs of the tax payers.

She goes on to say, “Given the growing level of public health and the timing of current global climate issues as well as...”

Man, if our BOS could cure all of these things we would be in total awe. They cannot and shouldn’t try. Aren’t they here to project the will of the people onto the development of the community? Do we need people serving in the position of a Supervisor tackling health and global climate change issues? That is where the San Francisco BOS went wildly askew. They think they can take on the issues of the world and forget they serve the people that put them in their chairs.

She says we cannot wait another 25 years to solve the fuel crisis and the health issues. The fuel crisis is not something the BOS can do anything about. The health issues are in the hands of our hospitals and clinics and they are dancing as fast as they can and should have our undying support. Perhaps “undying” is the improper word, substitute any descriptive adjective you want. Aren’t we getting tired of someone always telling us that they know better than we what is good for us?

**Chas Moser
Ukiah**

An ode to what it’s turned into

To the Editor:
I want to talk of the Ukiah RR People way -- all day
The people walk the railway
MTA should put a trolley on it.
And the new park at Perkins is filling nicely
Park benches full -- native plants
Soon to also be a skate park.
A healthy green on East Perkins
The Rail Corridor, a green commons
To be supported -- appreciated
Loved.

**Alan Sunbeam
Ukiah**

Let us decide for ourselves

To the Editor:
I agree with Mr. Thompson’s opinion regarding Lake Mendocino’s closure and I don’t think he is being selfish in his request to fish at the lake. For the Corps of Engineers to close access to the lake for fear of someone getting stuck is ridiculous. It should be posted as fishing and launching at your own risk. If they get stuck, so what. Let each individual take responsibility for their own actions. This closure is just another case of us losing more freedom due to another bureaucratic decision. Please re-evaluate the decision and reopen the lake.

**Mike Crudo
Ukiah**

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From the desk of ...



GEORGE WILL

Multiculturalism running rampant

“I decide who is a Jew around here.”
-- Hermann Goering in 1934 when told that a favorite Munich art dealer was Jewish.

Under legislation that the House of Representatives has voted 261-153 to foist on Hawaii, Goering’s role would be played by a panel empowered to decide who is a “Native Hawaiian” and entitled to special privileges and immunities. Because there are perhaps only 7,000 “pure” Native Hawaiians, “Hawaiian blood” will inevitably be the criterion and the “one-drop rule” likely will prevail. Those designated Native Hawaiians would be members of a new “tribe” conjured into existence by Congress. But it cannot legitimately do that.

In 1959, 94 percent of Hawaiians, including a large majority of Native Hawaiians, voted for statehood. Opposition was strongest among Southern Democrats in Congress, who, with the civil rights revolution simmering, were wary of Hawaii’s example of multiracial harmony.

Today, the Native Hawaiian Government Reorganization Act, when accurately described, is opposed by a large majority of Hawaiians and supported by only a bare majority of the approximately 240,000 Native Hawaiians in the state. The legislation, sponsored by Sen. Daniel Akaka, is a genuflection by “progressives,” mostly Democrats, to “diversity” and “multiculturalism.”

It would foment racial disharmony by creating a permanent caste entitled to its own government -- the Native Hawaiian Governing Entity -- within the United States. The NHGE presumably would be exempt, as Indian tribes are, from the Constitution’s First, Fifth and 14th amendments. It would, Akaka says, negotiate with the state of Hawaii and the United States concerning “lands, natural resources, assets, criminal and civil jurisdiction, and historical grievances.”

Reparations? We shall see. Independence -- secession? “That could be,” Akaka, 83, has said, depending on “my grandchildren and great-grandchildren.”

The seeds of this weed were sown in 1993, when Congress passed a tendentious apology for supposed U.S. complicity -- which was neither clear nor essential -- in the peaceful 1893 overthrow of Queen Liliuokalani’s monarchy by Hawaiian residents. The novelty of America apologizing for a monarch’s fall was followed in 2000 by a Supreme Court ruling overturning a Hawaiian law that excluded everyone except Native Hawaiians from voting in a statewide election for trustees of a state agency. This, the court said, violated the Constitution’s guarantee of equal protection of the laws and proscription of racial discrimination.

This ruling raised doubts about the constitutionality of the racial spoils system administered by that agency, the Office of Hawaiian Affairs. Which is perhaps why Akaka decided the Reorganization Act was necessary despite what he has called, with weird defensiveness, his state’s “perceived harmony.”

There are 400,000 Native Hawaiians nationwide, who will be eligible to participate in creating the NHGE. Native Hawaiians are 20 percent of the state’s population. They are defined as direct lineal descendants of indigenous peoples who lived on the islands before 1893 and who exercised sovereignty then -- an unintelligible provision because the queen monopolized sovereignty. She was more enlightened. She did not distinguish between Native Hawaiians and immigrants, who served in her government.

Under President Washington, the U.S. government’s Indian policy was a facet of foreign policy because tribes were considered foreign nations. The Constitution speaks not of native “peoples” but only of “Indian tribes.” Akaka’s legislation would create a Native Hawaiian “tribe” as a nation within the nation.

Unlike Indians, however, Native Hawaiians’ land was not taken by force. Congress does not create tribes, it recognizes them according to settled criteria: Tribes were nations when the Constitution was written and are geographically separate and culturally distinct communities whose governments have long continuous histories. As the state of Hawaii has said, “The tribal concept simply has no place in the context of Hawaiian history.”

Virtually all Democrats and a few inexplicable Republicans support this legislation, which will further inflame the ethnic grievance industry. Imagine the lesson that some descendants of Hispanics who lived in the Southwest prior to 1848 would learn from it. A Republican president would veto it. A Democratic president would sign it -- Sens. Biden, Clinton, Dodd and Obama support it -- but the Supreme Court would shred the plan for different laws for different races. Still, the legislation is an important symptom of Democrats’ constitutional flippancy and itch for social engineering.

“One nation, indivisible”? Not for the House majority or the Senate committee that have approved Akaka’s mockery of the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Disability legal clinics to be held on second Thursdays of each month

Community Resources for Independence is now offering monthly Disability Law Clinics on the second Thursday of every month, from 1 to 3 p.m., at their offices in the Talmage Office Center, in Ukiah. The clinics are set up for people with disability-related legal issues.

The Community Resources for Independence Ukiah office is located at 415 B Talmage Road. For more information, call 463-8875.

Humane Society offering wreaths, swags, and greenery baskets

The Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County is again offering freshly made Christmas wreaths, swags and greenery baskets for sale.

The items are made with all natural materials. Wreaths sell for \$35, swags for \$15 and \$25. Baskets range in price from \$15 to \$30. All materials and labor for these unique decorations are donated, therefore all proceeds benefit the animals.

Orders for these items are being accepted through December 10, to be picked up by Dec. 15. Orders may be placed by calling the shelter at 485-0123.

Indian taco sale set for Nov. 30

The Indian Senior Center at 425 N. State St., Ukiah will host an Indian Taco Sale on Friday, Nov. 30, from noon to 6 p.m. The Indian tacos will be available for dine-in or to-go orders, with delivery available for orders of four or meal.

For more information, or to place an order, call 462-5595.

Toy Run set for Dec. 1

Rain, sleet or snow will not stop the toy run festivities on Saturday Dec. 1, beginning at 12:30 at Lions Hall until 4 p.m. Bring a new unwrapped toy for a child under 15 years old, and eat an incredible dinner of barbecued tri tip donated by Roundman's Smoke House, D'Aurelios fresh bread and salad, Pat's Special beans from Harvest market, Local North Coast Brewery beer and Thanksgiving Coffee. Live dance music will be provided by Al G and the Wailing Cats. Tickets for raffle items and a 50/50 raffle will be available. There will not be a host bar.

Must be over 21 to attend. The toys are donated to Big Brothers Big Sisters, Safe passage, Hospitality house families

Fall Mushroom Workshop at the RVOEP

The Daily Journal

On Sunday from 10 a.m. to noon, the Redwood Valley Outdoor Education Project will host a Fall Mushroom Workshop and Walk led by local mushroom expert Mark Albert.

The public is invited to come learn about the essential role that fungus play in an Oak Woodland ecosystem and meet some of the local mushrooms. Mark usually brings an array of mushrooms to share and participants will have the opportunity to explore the mixed woodlands at the RVOEP to see what mushrooms are up.

Beginning mushroom enthusiasts and veterans should find this a stimulating morning.

The workshop is free, but donations will benefit the RVOEP. The RVOEP is a community-supported project of the Ukiah Unified School District and provides outdoor environmental education programs to over 2,000 students each year. Pre-registration is not required. The RVOEP is located at 8301 Pinecrest Drive in Redwood Valley.



Participants identify mushrooms at last year's Fall Mushroom Walk.

Pinecrest Drive begins directly across from the Redwood Valley Elementary School. For more information, call 743-2065 If the weather is stormy on Sunday, then the group will try again on Dec. 9.

and many of the children on the Mendocino Coast.

For more information, call 961-0767. Lions Hall is located at the corner of Redwood and Whipple Streets.

Area One Developmental Disabilities Board meeting set for Dec. 1

The public is invited to attend the Area One Developmental Disabilities Board's fourth meeting of the year at 9:30 a.m. on Dec. 1 at the Washington Mutual Bank Conference Room, at 700 S. State Street, Ukiah.

Highlights of the meeting will include legislative updates, and reports on the Activities of the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, There will also be updates on the progress of last year's Senate Bill 1270 and consumer self-advocacy.

The Area I Developmental Disabilities Board advocates for the legal, civil and service rights of Californians with develop-

mental disabilities in Lake, Mendocino, Humboldt and Del Norte Counties.

Malaria prevention nets available for charitable purchase at Christmas Faire

At the Christmas Faire, on Dec. 1, Holy Trinity Episcopal Church will be taking \$15 donations for insecticide-treated netting and training for use for African families. Every thirty seconds a child dies from malaria in Africa. Close to 500 million people are infected with malaria each year. The insecticide treated nets dramatically decrease the risk of malaria infection.

The Holy Trinity Episcopal Church is located at 640 S. Orchard Avenue. Gift cards will be available for purchase. The monies are used by Episcopal Relief and Development so the money is carefully distributed. The hours of the Faire are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

18th annual Christmas Bazaar set for Nov. 30 and Dec. 1

The Crafty Ladies present the 18th annual Christmas Bazaar on Friday, Nov. 30, and Saturday, Dec. 1, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Ukiah Senior Center. They will be offering toys, jewelry, handmade quilts, Afghans, baby and adult sweaters, dish towels, ornaments, baked goods, and more.

The proceeds go to support area seniors during the holiday season. The Ukiah Senior Center is located at 495 Leslie Street. For more information, call 462-4343.

The history of gingerbread men

No spice recalls Christmas more than gingerbread. Typically associated with the mythical house to which Hansel and Gretel were lured or the fairy-tale, man-shaped cookie that sprang from the oven and ran through the woods until eventually being caught and eaten by a fox, gingerbread's origins date back centuries.

Gingerbread's warm and spicy flavor comes from ginger root, indigenous to Asia and once used for medicinal purposes by ancient Greeks and Romans. Monks in medieval Europe were among the first to use ginger to bake gingerbread. They created a heavy dough using a variety of precious spices that were once reserved for special occasions. Ginger, along with clove, cinnamon, nutmeg, and mace were prohibitively expensive at that time because they had to make their way though the African desert or



Bon Vivant
By Marilyn Campbell

across the Indian Ocean before reaching Europe. In the Bavarian city of Nuremberg, Germany, the tradition of gingerbread began when local monks used these spices to

make cakes that they shaped into elaborate creations. Because they were so expensive, these gingerbread treats were reserved primarily for religious holidays such as Christmas or Easter.

The popularity of gingerbread's unique flavor grew, and by the 15th century it was made widely throughout northern Europe. Sometimes, fruit and nuts were added to the dough. By the 17th century, bakers added eggs and butter or lard and cut the dough into squares or shaped it into animal and human figures.

Today, Christmas markets in Nuremberg are stocked with lavishly decorated gingerbread creations, especially "hexenhauser," the German word for the "witch's cottage"

to which Hansel and Gretel were enticed.

In the United States, the centuries' old tradition of gingerbread continues to influence holidays today. Whether you prefer it crispy, cakey or somewhere in between, here is a recipe that you can use to create your own holiday gingerbread goodies.

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The 50th annual Redwood Classic Basketball Tournament is set to kick off the new season November 28-Dec. 1st, at the Anderson Valley High School gym in Boonville. The Redwood Classic is oldest and largest small school tournament in California. Local teams invited include: Anderson Valley, Mendocino, Point Arena, St. Vincent, Cloverdale and Upper Lake. The out of area teams are: Branson, Crystal Springs-Hillsborough, Tulelake, International, Valley Christian-Roseville, South Fork, Hoopa, CA School for the Deaf, Stuart Hall and Colusa. The tournament begins at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, November 28th. Single day ticket prices are \$5 for adults, \$3 students and seniors and souvenir programs cost \$5.

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MLB | OFFSEASON

Giants would love to find big bat for middle of the order

By JANIE McCAULEY

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — The San Francisco Giants would like to acquire a big hitter for the middle of their lineup — someone who could pick up a bit of the slack now that home run king Barry Bonds is gone.

But don't look for the Giants to unload top pitchers Matt Cain or Tim Lincecum to make it happen. Both hard-throwing right-handers are virtually untouchable as general manager Brian Sabean and his staff head to next week's winter meetings in Nashville,

Tenn.

"We have to listen. That's our job. We finished in last place," Sabean said Thursday. "There's too much chatter around the industry about these guys."

San Francisco, which hasn't reached the playoffs since 2003, has several options to fill its outfield and replace Bonds in left. One scenario: Dave Roberts shifts from center field to left, Randy Winn moves from right to center and Nate Schierholtz plays right.

Still, the Giants need some punch.

"We know we have to do something in the middle of the order and know we

might not be able to pick and choose the position," Sabean said. "We're not going to just fill holes. ... It's somebody that has a real presence in your lineup and can change your lineup. Power would help. You need a run producer."

Schierholtz, Dan Ortmeier and Fred Lewis all could have greater roles come 2008. The Giants told the 43-year-old Bonds in September they wouldn't resign him for a 16th season, then the slugger was indicted Nov. 15 and charged with four counts of perjury and

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COMMUNITY SPORTS | UKIAH DOLPHINS

Headed to Pacifica

photo submitted by Peggy Ramirez

Marcus Ramirez comes up for a breath in the middle of his breast stroke during a race earlier this fall. Ramirez has been the Dolphins' best swimmer all year and heads to the Junior Olympics today to continue his great season

By ANTHONY DION

The Daily Journal

Two swimmers from the Ukiah Dolphins youth swim team are headed to Junior Olympics in Pacifica on Friday and Saturday.

Marcus Ramirez 14, and Danny Selzer 12, both will look to make significant improvements in their times to reach Far Western's, the next step along the line of competitive swimming.

The Junior Olympics takes the top young swimmers in their age groups who have their sights set on the top levels of competitive swimming whether it takes them to the olympics or not. The J.O.'s as they're called is just

another stepping stone for swimmers to improve their craft.

And that is exactly what Marcus and Danny are hoping to do this weekend.

Marcus, who has been swimming since he was five years old and year-round now for two years, is as competitive as they come.

"I love swimming for the competition," said Ramirez. "I'm just a really competitive person."

He's also close to as good as they come as a 14 year old swimmer. Ramirez has qualified for more events at Junior Olympics than an individual is allowed to compete in, forcing him to carefully select which ones to do.

Currently, he is registered to compete in the 50, 100 and 200 meter freestyle events; the 100 and 200 meter breast; the 100 and 200 meter back; and the 200 and 400 meter Individual Medley - one of which will have to be scratched still.

Marcus works extremely hard on his craft, something he has refined to such a precise point where fractions of seconds are crucial for him getting faster. He and the new Dolphins coach, Lee Panttaja, work primarily on technique and strategy where Marcus's current goal is to get his strokes into a groove

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Taylor's death a senseless tragedy

By ANTHONY DION

The Daily Journal

The news of Sean Taylor's shooting and subsequent death earlier this week deeply saddened me as a fan of the Redskins safety's play.

Having grown up exclusively on the west coast while Taylor grew up and competed on the east coast, outside of the knowledge that he went to the U and his on the field career with the Redskins, I knew little about Taylor until reading and listening to reports that surfaced shortly after his passing.

I recalled that he had been fined a few times a year or two back for separate incidents, whether they were on the field or not wasn't something I particularly remembered.

This week though, I learned that Taylor had a one-year daughter, was a reserved and humble individual and had been walking the long and lonely road of self-improvement. It seems that almost instantly after the birth of his daughter he became a changed man. His teammates, family and close friends can all attest to this fact.

It's tough enough to endure the loss of someone who's time it perceivably is to go, but to lose someone so young, with such incredible talent and passion -- not just for the game of football, but for the people in his life -- is truly difficult to bear.

The investigation into Taylor's murder continued Thursday in Miami with no hard suspects. Police have said they suspect that Taylor was the victim of a random burglary when he was shot in his home early Monday morning.

And while the police suspect it to be a random burglary former teammates and a longtime friend of Taylor's suspect differently. Cardinals cornerback and fellow Hurricane alum, Antrel Rolle, has known Taylor since the two were six years old, playing youth football. He reckons that Taylor had been targeted for three years by former friends he used to roll with during his childhood.

Regardless of the reason for Taylor's murder, the Redskins must somehow find a way to move on to football Sunday against the Buffalo Bills. Washington was already in the midst of a downward spiral having lost three straight games, taking them to 5-6 and on the outside of the playoff race.

I'll be rooting for the Redskins to turn the recent fortunes of their season around, win the remainder of the games on their schedule in dedication to Sean Taylor's memory and the way he played the game of football -- all out. That's what Taylor would've wanted them to do.

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NFL | WEEK 13

Niners QB Alex Smith hopes to avoid surgery on injured shoulder

By GREG BEACHAM

Associated Press

SANTA CLARA — Alex Smith is hoping two weeks of complete rest for his ailing right shoulder will help him avoid surgery and allow him to return for the San Francisco 49ers' final few games.

It's too early to tell whether the quarterback's shoulder agrees with the plan.

Smith hasn't thrown a pass in nearly two weeks, and he doesn't even lift his arm above his shoulder unless it's absolutely necessary. The former No. 1 draft pick hopes enough scar tissue will build up around his ligament to give him a comfortable throwing motion, but he won't know until picking up a football.

Smith has consulted with Dr. James Andrews and the 49ers' training staff while trying to solve the problems in

his throwing motion since his shoulder was separated on a sack during a game against Seattle on Sept. 30. He'll speak with the same team again next week while trying to decide whether to undergo surgery and the resulting three-month rehabilitation.

"In talking to them, it's something that if you can at all, you want to avoid surgery, especially on your throwing shoulder," Smith said Thursday. "After a surgery, some quarterbacks can still feel it in their motion, and some continue to play 10 or 12 more years with it."

Smith struggled through three

games with his sore shoulder and the resulting strains in his forearm before publicly complaining about his problems two weeks ago. The 49ers decided to rest their franchise quarterback for at least two games, turning over the team to backup Trent Dilfer for the second time this season.

Smith probably won't be active when the 49ers (3-8) visit Carolina on Sunday. He wasn't in uniform last week when Dilfer led San Francisco to a 37-31 overtime win at Arizona, snapping the Niners' eight-game losing streak.

"Gripping a football and throwing it as hard as I can, that's when I feel it the most," Smith said. "When I follow through, I really feel it in my collarbone."

Coach Mike Nolan, who publicly sparred with Smith over their misunderstandings about the severity of his

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injury, has effusively praised Dilfer's play in the 49ers' last two games. Nolan hasn't decided whether Smith would go back in the starting lineup even if he's healthy enough to play in the final four games.

"I don't have to make that decision right now," Nolan said. "We'll take it one game at a time."

Until Dilfer's strong performance against Arizona, neither quarterback had done much of note in the NFL's worst offense. Among all NFL quarterbacks who qualify for league statistics, only the Jets' Kellen Clemens has a poorer passer rating than Smith (57.2) and Dilfer (62.8).

Both San Francisco quarterbacks' completion percentages also are worse than every quarterback except Clemens, but Dilfer has thrown five touchdown passes — and he led the

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COWBOYS 37 | PACKERS 27

Without Favre, Packers hang in but can’t beat Romo, Cowboys

By JAIME ARON
Associated Press

IRVING, Texas — Standing on the sideline, scowling and gingerly holding his bandaged right arm, all Brett Favre could do was watch Tony Romo impersonate him.

The kid was good. Too good for Favre and the Green Bay Packers.

The Wisconsin native who spent all week denying Favre was his childhood hero sure played a lot like a young No. 4 Thursday night — full of moxie and joy, but needing a bit of a high-wire act to send the Dallas Cowboys past the Packers 37-27 and into the lead for home-field advantage throughout the NFC playoffs.

Romo threw four touchdown passes to send the Cowboys (11-1) to their sixth straight win. The Packers (10-2) ended a six-game winning streak and are now essentially two games behind Dallas in the chase for the conference’s top spot with only four games left.

The bigger concern for Green Bay is Favre’s health.

Favre injured his right elbow in the second quarter and didn’t return, perhaps jeopardizing his run of 249 consecutive starts, a record that’s about six seasons longer than the next-best by a quarterback. He has 10 days to heal before the Packers play again, Dec. 9 at home against Oakland. The injury could be similar to a banged-up nerve in his right elbow that knocked him out of a game last November.

Backup Aaron Rodgers, who spent the week pretending he was Romo in Green Bay practices, provided the kind of rally Favre usually specializes in. He threw the first touchdown pass of his three-year career, but wasn’t able to lead a Favre-esque rally.

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Favre brought out the best in Romo as he led the Cowboys to scores on their first five drives, capping the last three with touchdown passes. But once Rodgers came in, Romo lost his mojo, and so did Dallas.

A 27-10 lead frittered to 27-24, in part because of a failed fourth-down conversion when the Cowboys could have tried a field goal to stretch their lead to 30-17. Dallas really looked like it might blow it when Terrell Owens juggled a pass in the end zone and wound up flipping it over his head to cornerback Al Harris for an interception.

Green Bay’s bid for a go-ahead tying touchdown ended quickly, then Romo drove right back for a lead-stretching touchdown — to Patrick Crayton, not Owens.

Trailing 34-24, Rodgers was only able to get a field goal to get the Packers within a touchdown. They needed a stop from the defense, but with Kabeer Gbaja-Biamila and cornerback Charles Woodson inactive with injuries, the unit wasn’t up to the task. A clock-draining drive resulted in Nick Folk’s third field goal and a 10-point lead with 1:03 left — and with Favre nowhere in sight.

He ran back to the locker room with 2:23 left.

Romo was 19-of-30 for 309 yards. His four TD throws give him 33 for the year, smashing the club record. He tied another club mark by throwing a touchdown in his 16th straight game. Better yet, he did it not only in front of Favre, but also honorary captains Roger Staubach and Troy Aikman.

“I don’t play for individual records,” Romo said. “That’s a testament to our team.”

Owens caught seven passes for 156 yards and a touchdown. He tied a team record with his 14th TD catch of the

season and tied another mark with a TD catch in seven straight games. Crayton caught two of the touchdowns and tight end Anthony Fasano had the other.

Dallas extended the best start in franchise history. With four games left, the Cowboys already have their most wins in a season since going 12-4 in 1995 — their last Super Bowl season — and they’re two wins from matching the franchise record.

The Packers are still in great shape for at least the No. 2 seed and a first-round bye because their next three opponents have losing records. And the idea of starting Rodgers next week may no longer be as dreadful to fans who have wondered if he was a wasted draft pick. In the most extended action of his career, he was 18-of-26 for 201 yards and a touchdown with no turnovers.

His numbers were a lot better than Favre’s 5-of-14 for 56 yards with two interceptions, one that looked like a punt and another on the play he was injured. At least two other heaves could have been picked off. The Packers’ only touchdown during his action came on a 62-yard run by Ryan Grant.

Favre already considered Texas Stadium a miserable place, half-joking earlier this week that he was hoping “it would be gone before I got back there.” This was his ninth loss in as many starts under the hole in the roof.

As if to remind him of his previous eight losses, the Cowboys honored their 1992 team at halftime, so Aikman, Emmitt Smith, Michael Irvin and friends were here for this game, too.

The game ended with Romo taking a knee, then going off toward the Green Bay sideline to shake hands with his fellow quarterback. He found Rodgers — but not the guy he really wanted to see.

feeling, so to speak. We tried to make it feel the same, but I found myself thinking about Sean and imagining him out on the football field playing free safety for us.”

Taylor’s locker remained untouched, but the Redskins made the uncomfortably necessary move of dropping him from the official roster as part of a series of personnel moves.

The NFL announced that every player league-wide will wear a No. 21 decal on his helmet at this weekend’s games to honor Taylor. Redskins players will wear the decal for the remainder of the season.

Carter was coping with the loss of a teammate for the second time in three years. He played for the San Francisco 49ers when offensive lineman Thomas Herrion died of a heart attack after a preseason game in September 2005. 49ers coach Mike Nolan called Gibbs on Tuesday night to offer sympathy and advice.

“I’ve experienced the death of two teammates,” Carter said. “No person wants to say that.”

While players found it difficult to stay focused on Xs and Os in the meetings, the physical nature of the practice was somewhat therapeutic.

“Unfortunately, these guys don’t get bereavement leave,” Fuller said. “They’ve got to work through it. They have to live through it. Football is a passion game, and if your soul’s broken, if your soul’s hurting, it’s tough to go out there and give it all.”



photo courtesy Ukiah Dolphins

Danny Selzer waits for his opportunity to get in the pool during a meet earlier this year

Dolphins

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with no flaws. By doing so, he can minimize the effort he expends to maximize his speed.

His goal at J.O.’s is to do well enough that he qualifies for Far Western’s and from there just to continue to get better and coincidentally, faster.

“It makes me feel good that I can do better even as I’m doing very well right now,” Marcus said.

There’s always room for improvement in Marcus’ eyes and the Junior Olympics this

weekend is his latest opportunity to continue that process.

Danny, who has been swimming since he was six years old, enjoys the same things about swimming as his older teammate.

He loves the competition and the feeling he gets of swimming fast. He also feels the same disappointment when he loses which leads him to work as hard as he can in the pool at improving.

His relationship with Marcus is a close one and while Marcus is older and better than Danny currently it only drives him to get faster.

After working hard for the past year to get faster, it has

paid off with a berth into the J.O.’s where he will compete in the 50 and 100 freestyle and 50 meter butterfly.

“I was pretty excited when I made it,” said Danny. “I’m excited to go there and beat my times and just have fun.”

From there, just like Marcus, Danny looks beyond Junior Olympics in the line of competitive swimming competitions hoping to qualify for an event or two at Far Western’s and only continuing to get faster.

At 12 and 14 years of age, Danny and Marcus respectively are well on their way to success in competitive swimming.

NBA | L..A. LAKERS

Phil Jackson agrees to terms of 2-year extension with the Lakers

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Lakers coach Phil Jackson said he has agreed to terms of a two-year contract extension believed to be worth about \$24 million, putting him under contract through the 2009-10 season.

The Hall of Fame coach announced his decision and discussed his contract situation before Thursday night’s game against the Denver Nuggets. When asked if this was his final contract with the Lakers, he hedged a bit and didn’t give a direct answer.

“I was in my 50s in the last era, I’m in my 60s in this era, and maybe I can go on into my 70s,” he said. “But I really don’t think so. ‘I mean, I’m losing a step as I go — mentally and physically. Being abreast of all these kids is not an easy task. I can hardly speak their language, but I’m trying.’”

When asked a second time if he was saying it’s his last contract with the Lakers, he laughed and replied: “No, I’m not.

The 62-year-old Jackson

signed a five-year, \$30 million contract with the Lakers in June 1999, and coached them to three championships before they lost to San Antonio in the Western Conference semifinals in 2003 and were beaten by Detroit in the NBA finals in 2004.

Jackson and the team parted ways in June 2004, and he took a year off before signing a three-year, \$30 million contract — the richest deal for an NBA coach — on June 14, 2005.

Rudy Tomjanovich had signed a five-year deal with the Lakers after Jackson left, but stepped down after a half-season on the job.

Jackson had expressed uncertainty because he’s undergone two hip replacement operations since October 2006 — the second one last June. He used a cane for four months, including the preseason, and put off his decision to return twice before meeting with Lakers owner Jerry Buss this week.

“This offer was extended to me last year, and I promised

Dr. Buss that I would let them know before the end of the season whether I would continue on,” Jackson said. “But obviously, due to the health situation that went on this summer, it’s delayed this decision ‘til this particular time.”

Jackson said his surgery last June was debilitating.

“Even simple tasks like putting on shoes and socks were very difficult, so I kind of asked them to just be patient. Training camp wasn’t easy, but after a couple of road trips, I felt comfortable to make that decision.”

Jackson said his contract extension wasn’t connected to whether Kobe Bryant stayed with the Lakers or is traded — a subject that dominated the local papers and airwaves for months after the two-time defending NBA scoring champion requested a trade last May.

“The decision to return as coach, and the decision to be asked to return as coach, both had very little to do with Kobe

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REDSKINS | SEAN TAYLOR’S DEATH

Police suspect random burglar killed Taylor; grieving Redskins try to move on

By JOSEPH WHITE

Associated Press

ASHBURN, Va. — Police investigating Sean Taylor’s death say they’ve found no indication the Washington Redskins safety was targeted or knew the assailant who broke into his home.

Miami-Dade police director Robert Parker called it “more like a random event.”

“There’s nothing that indicates thus far that there’s some kind of involvement on the victim’s part,” he said Wednesday.

Evidence indicates one or more intruders barged into Taylor’s home in an affluent Miami suburb early Monday, Parker said. After a confrontation inside the house, the 24-year-old was shot once in the upper leg and died early Tuesday after losing a tremendous amount of blood.

Police said they had no suspects, and were still investigating a possible link to a Nov. 17 break-in at Taylor’s home, during which they said someone pried open a front window, rifled through drawers and left a kitchen knife on a bed.

“We have no reason to think this was anything other than a burglary or a robbery involving an intruder,” Parker said.

Taylor’s funeral will be held Monday at 11 a.m. at Pharmed Arena on the campus of Florida International University in Miami. Redskins owner Dan Snyder is making arrangements for the entire football organiza-

tion to attend.

At Redskins Park on Wednesday, Taylor’s family and teammates came together to privately share tears and memories. Taylor’s father, Pedro Taylor, and girlfriend Jackie Garcia both addressed the team.

“Many of these guys were wondering, ‘How in the world am I going to go out and do this on Sunday?’” said Brett Fuller, the team chaplain. “And when Mr. Taylor stood up and said go out and win these next five and make it to the playoffs, we felt a surge in the room, that he almost gave us permission to play well.”

Taylor’s father didn’t state the team should win in honor or memory of his son, but many players adopted that feeling nonetheless. The Redskins (5-6) are in contention for a playoff berth despite three straight losses.

“We all know that’s something Sean would want for us,” defensive end Andre Carter said. “You’ve got to keep on moving forward.”

The team then began to attempt to focus on preparations for Sunday’s home game against the Buffalo Bills. Players went to their game-planning meetings — which were shorter than normal — and later held a quieter-than-usual afternoon practice.

“Nothing was normal about today,” linebacker London Fletcher said. “We had the meetings, but it wasn’t the normal type of meetings. Practice, it was practice, but it just wasn’t the same type of



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Eagles open home
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The Daily Journal
On Monday evening, Mendocino College women's basketball team kicked off their home season as they took on Lassen College.

It was a tight game all the way through as the ladies on both squads battled each other the entire length of the court. With about 10 minutes left in the game, the score was tied. As it got down the stretch though, Lassen College was just too much for the Eagles. With four minutes to go, they stretched their lead out to 10 points and never relented, going on to win the contest 71-60.

Katie Stiles and Amber Shepherd led the Eagles with 20 points apiece. Andrea Eliiston added a solid 12 points and 10 rebounds and Asley Shepherd contributed with six rebounds and six assists.

"We worked hard and both teams really battled. It was a great first home game because Lassen is a very competitive team in their conference," said coach Jody Steliga. "I was very pleased with our determination throughout the whole game. We are now preparing for the Shasta Tournament this weekend."

The Mendocino ladies basketball team indeed moves on to the Shasta Tournament this weekend starting Friday at 7 p.m. with a game against Santa Rosa.

Lakers

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Bryant and very little to do with the talent here," Jackson said. "It's about the proximity that I feel to this organization, the comfort I feel working for this organization, and the progress I think we're making."

Jackson and former Boston Celtics coach Red Auerbach each have earned a record nine championship rings as a head coach. Jackson guided the Michael Jordan-led Chicago Bulls to six titles in the 1990s before taking a year off from coaching and then joining the Lakers before the 1999-2000 season.

"I've had tremendous successes and ultimately some great highs in this game, but the ultimate thing is about this team coming back into prominence in this game," Jackson said. "We want this team to get back that consistency of a team that can win on a consistent basis."

Jackson took a 927-399 record as a head coach into Thursday night's game, including a 382-206 mark with the Lakers. His career playoff record is 179-77.

Giants

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charged with four counts of perjury and one count of obstruction of justice following a four-year investigation into steroids. "I would look forward to it," manager Bruce Bochy said about using his younger players more regularly. "They're good kids here who have played well. I think that's an important part of a team's success — building within."

Speedy center fielder Rajai Davis, who came to the Giants as a rookie in a trade-deadline deal that sent pitcher Matt Morris to Pittsburgh, also should see significant action in the outfield.

"We're not going to say Davis is the guy (in center)," Sabean said. "We haven't seen Davis enough."

Finding a center fielder via free agency is unlikely, considering Sabean said his talks are "four to one" about trades versus acquiring free agents.

"To get a deal done without giving up Cain or Lincecum, that's the dilemma," he said.

The Giants re-signed 11-time Gold Glove shortstop Omar Vizquel earlier this month, but still have a hole to fill at third and possibly first. Sabean said his club is "on the fringe" when it comes to bringing back third baseman Pedro Feliz, meaning Kevin Frandsen or Rich Aurilia

might wind up playing that spot.

"Their pie in the sky is a three-year deal, which we'll never get to," Sabean said about Feliz's representatives.

The Dodgers (82-80) and Giants (71-91) brought up the rear in the NL West for just the second time since divisional play began in 1969.

San Francisco owner Peter Magowan said during the season he is prepared for the franchise to take its lumps the next couple of years while rebuilding. The Giants want to give their developing players a shot to prove themselves at the big league level, too. They saw teams such as Arizona and Colorado succeed in the NL West this year going that route.

"One advantage you have with a young team ... by and large on a single day, everybody's ready to play, everybody's healthy enough to play, everybody wants to play," Sabean said. "They know it all can change in a heartbeat. Managing a younger team has the chance to be enjoyable. You're not going to get much flak back."

Also Thursday, Sabean announced additions to his front-office staff. Ron Schueler and former hitting coach Joe Lefebvre were hired as senior advisers for player personnel; Ed Creech was hired as a senior adviser for scouting; and Matt Nerland was named a special assistant for scouting.

Niners

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49ers' only victory in more than two months.

"I didn't play as well as I'd like to earlier in the year, when things didn't go well," Dilfer said. "But you just try to keep improving on the things you're not doing well. If there's one thing I am, it's resilient. ... The more you play, the more comfortable you get, and there's a rhythm with the people around you. If

you keep getting better each week, it's eventually going to make a difference, and that's what happened in Arizona."

Though Smith has openly pondered the consequences of shutting himself down for the season, he doesn't seem ready to give up just yet. He still attends every position meeting with Dilfer, third-stringer Shaun Hill and practice squadder Drew Olson, preparing himself in case he feels better next week.

"Definitely, if at all possible, I want to avoid (surgery)," Smith said.

Giguere makes
38 saves in
Ducks' 4-1 victory
over Flames

CALGARY, Alberta (AP) — Jean-Sebastien Giguere made 38 saves to help the Anaheim Ducks beat the Calgary Flames 4-1 on Thursday night.

Giguere, benched in the third period Tuesday night in the Ducks' 4-0 loss in Vancouver, allowed only Alex Tanguay's power-play goal early in the first period.

Todd Marchant, Chris Kunitz, Corey Perry and Rob Niedermayer scored for Anaheim.

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Atlantic Division				
Boston	11	L	2	846
Toronto	8	7	.533	4
New Jersey	7	8	.467	5
Philadelphia	4	9	.308	7
Philadelphia	4	10	.286	7 1/2
Southeast Division				
Orlando	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	14	3	.824	—
Atlanta	6	8	.467	6
Charlotte	6	8	.429	6 1/2
Miami	4	10	.286	8 1/2

Central Division				
Detroit	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	9	5	.643	—
Milwaukee	9	7	.558	1
Indiana	8	8	.500	1 1/2
Chicago	3	10	.231	5 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Southwest Division				
San Antonio	W	L	Pct	GB
Dallas	13	5	.713	—
New Orleans	10	6	.625	3
Houston	9	7	.563	4
Memphis	5	10	.333	7 1/2

Northwest Division				
Utah	W	L	Pct	GB
Denver	11	5	.688	—
Portland	9	6	.600	1 1/2
Minnesota	5	10	.333	5 1/2
Seattle	2	11	.154	7 1/2
San Antonio	2	14	.125	9

Pacific Division				
Phoenix	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Lakers	11	4	.732	—
Golden State	9	6	.571	2 1/2
L.A. Clippers	6	7	.462	4
Sacramento	5	10	.333	6

Wednesday's Games
Atlanta 96, Milwaukee 80
Utah 106, Philadelphia 95
Toronto 103, Memphis 91
Detroit 109, Cleveland 74
San Antonio 109, Washington 94
Dallas 109, Minnesota 103
Houston 100, Phoenix 94
Orlando 110, Seattle 94
Indiana 95, Portland 89
Golden State 103, Sacramento 96
Thursday's Games
Boston 104, New York 59
Denver at L.A. Lakers, Late
Houston at Golden State, Late
Friday's Games
Cleveland at Toronto, 4 p.m.
Washington at Philadelphia, 4 p.m.
New Orleans at Atlanta, 4:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at New York, 4:30 p.m.
Boston at Miami, 5 p.m.
San Antonio at Minnesota, 5 p.m.
Portland at Dallas, 5:30 p.m.
Orlando at Phoenix, 6 p.m.
Indiana at Seattle, 7:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Utah, 7:30 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Denver, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday's Games
Toronto at Washington, 4 p.m.
Philadelphia at New Jersey, 4:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Memphis, 5 p.m.
Dallas at New Orleans, 5 p.m.
Detroit at Milwaukee, 5:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Chicago, 5:30 p.m.
Houston at Sacramento, 7 p.m.
Sunday's Games
Cleveland at Boston, 9:30 a.m.
Indiana at L.A. Clippers, 12:30 p.m.
Portland at San Antonio, 12:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Detroit, 3 p.m.
Phoenix at New York, 4 p.m.
Miami at Denver, 5 p.m.
Golden State at Seattle, 6 p.m.
Orlando at L.A. Lakers, 6:30 p.m.

NHL				
EASTERN CONFERENCE				
Atlantic Division				
Philadelphia	W	L	OT	Pts GF GA
N.Y. Rangers	14	8	2	30 76 67
N.Y. Islanders	13	9	2	28 53 47
N.Y. Islanders	13	8	1	27 54 57
New Jersey	12	10	2	26 60 61
Pittsburgh	10	11	2	22 68 69
Northeast Division				
Ottawa	W	L	OT	Pts GF GA
Montreal	16	5	2	34 73 56
Boston	13	8	3	29 73 65
Boston	12	8	2	26 58 54
Buffalo	11	11	1	23 67 63
Toronto	8	11	6	22 73 90
Southeast Division				
Carolina	W	L	OT	Pts GF GA
Florida	13	9	3	29 81 75
Atlanta	12	12	0	25 65 70
Tampa Bay	11	12	0	22 61 78
Washington	10	12	2	22 75 75
Washington	8	15	2	18 58 74

WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Central Division				
Detroit	W	L	OT	Pts GF GA
Detroit	16	6	2	34 81 59

St. Louis	14	8	0	28	57	49
Chicago	13	9	2	28	71	68
Columbus	11	9	4	26	63	60
Nashville	11	9	2	24	62	63
Northwest Division						
Minnesota	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Vancouver	13	9	2	28	64	62
Colorado	13	9	1	27	67	68
Calgary	10	12	3	23	69	76
Edmonton	10	14	1	21	59	78
Pacific Division						
Dallas	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
San Jose	13	8	4	30	74	65
Anaheim	11	10	4	26	61	70
Phoenix	11	11	0	22	56	64
Los Angeles	10	13	1	21	66	76

Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss or shootout loss.

Wednesday's Games
St. Louis 4, Buffalo 3
New Jersey 4, Dallas 2
Philadelphia 3, Carolina 1
Florida 2, Washington 1, SO
N.Y. Islanders 3, Ottawa 2, SO
Minnesota 3, Phoenix 1
Pittsburgh 5, Tampa Bay 1
Colorado 4, Edmonton 2
Los Angeles 3, San Jose 2, SO
Thursday's Games
Toronto 4, Atlanta 2
N.Y. Rangers 4, N.Y. Islanders 2
Boston 4, Florida 3
Nashville 5, Ottawa 5
Detroit 4, Tampa Bay 2
Colorado 4, Calgary 1
Columbus at Vancouver, Late
Friday's Games
Washington at Carolina, 4 p.m.
Montreal at New Jersey, 4 p.m.
Dallas at Pittsburgh, 4:30 p.m.
St. Louis at Minnesota, 5 p.m.
Phoenix at Chicago, 5:30 p.m.
Anaheim at Edmonton, 6 p.m.
Colorado at San Jose, 7:30 p.m.
San Jose at Colorado, 7 p.m.
Colorado at Los Angeles, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday's Games
Atlanta at New Jersey, 2 p.m.
Vancouver at Minnesota, 3 p.m.
Edmonton at Anaheim, 5 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
NEW YORK YANKEES—Agreed to terms with C Jorge Posada on a four-year contract.
OKLAHOMA ATHLETICS—Claimed 1B Wes Bankston off waivers from the Kansas City Royals.
National League
COLORADO ROCKIES—Agreed to terms with C Yorl Torrealba on a two-year contract.
LOS ANGELES DODGERS—Agreed to terms with C Rene Rivera and INF Terry Tiffee on minor league contracts.
PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Named Jack Bowen national crosschecker.
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS—Named Ron Schueler and Joe Lefebvre senior advisors for player personnel; Ed Creech senior advisor for scouting and Matt Nerland special assistant for scouting.
WASHINGTON NATIONALS—Named Devon White minor league outfield coordinator.
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
DENVER NUGGETS—Signed C Jelani McCoy from Los Angeles (NBADL).
SAN ANTONIO SPURS—Assigned G Darius Washington to Austin (NBADL).
FOOTBALL
National Football League
INDIANAPOLIS COLTS—Signed CB Keiwan Ratliff. Signed CB Darrell Hunter to the practice squad.
NEW YORK JETS—Claimed DL Kareem Brown off waivers from New England.
National Hockey League
MINNESOTA WILD—Assigned G Nolan Schaefer to Houston (AHL). Activated G Josh Harding from injured reserve.
SAN JOSE SHARKS—Assigned LW Tomas Pihlhal to Worcester (AHL).
COLLEGE
NEBRASKA—Named Tom Osborne interim football coach.

TOP 25 FARED

Thursday
No. 1 North Carolina (6-0) did not play. Next: at

Kentucky, Saturday.
No. 2 UCLA (7-0) did not play. Next: vs. No. 8 Texas, Sunday.
No. 3 Memphis (6-0) did not play. Next: vs. No. 22 Southern Cal, Tuesday.
No. 4 Kansas (6-0) did not play. Next: at No. 22 Southern Cal, Sunday.
No. 5 Georgetown (4-0) did not play. Next: vs. Fairfield, Saturday.
No. 6 Washington State (6-0) did not play. Next: at Baylor, Friday.
No. 7 Duke (7-0) did not play. Next: vs. Davidson, Saturday.
No. 8 Texas (6-0) did not play. Next: at No. 2 UCLA, Sunday.
No. 9 Texas A&M (7-0) did not play. Next: at Arizona, Sunday.
No. 10 Michigan State (5-1) did not play. Next: vs. Jacksonville, Saturday.
No. 11 Tennessee (6-1) did not play. Next: vs. Louisiana-Lafayette, Friday.
No. 12 Louisville (4-1) did not play. Next: vs. Miami (Ohio), Saturday.
No. 13 Marquette (4-1) did not play. Next: vs. Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Friday.
No. 14 Pittsburgh (6-0) did not play. Next: vs. Toledo, Saturday.
No. 15 Indiana (5-1) did not play. Next: at Southern Illinois, Saturday.
No. 16 Butler (6-0) did not play. Next: vs. Ohio State, Saturday.
No. 17 Oregon (6-1) beat No. 25 Kansas State 80-77 in OT. Next: vs. Utah, Saturday, Dec. 8.
No. 18 Clemson (6-0) did not play. vs. South Carolina, Saturday.
No. 19 Gonzaga (6-1) beat Saint Joseph's 70-65 in OT. Next: vs. Connecticut, Saturday.
No. 20 Wisconsin (5-1) did not play. Next: vs. Wofford, Monday.
No. 21 BYU (5-1) did not play. Next: at Portland, Saturday.
No. 22 Southern Cal (5-1) vs. Oklahoma. Next: vs. No. 4 Kansas, Sunday.
No. 23 Xavier (5-1) did not play. Next: vs. Belmont, Saturday.
No. 24 N.C. State (4-2) did not play. Next: at East Carolina, Saturday, Dec. 8.
No. 25 Kansas State (4-2) lost to No. 17 Oregon 80-77 in OT. Next: vs. Notre Dame, Tuesday.

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Holiday FIRE SAFETY TIPS

(MS) - There are many causes for celebration during the winter holiday months, but it's also the time of the year when the threat of home fires increases dramatically. Nearly one third of all residential fires occur during the winter, according to the National Fire Protection Association, resulting in billions of dollars in property damage, as well as thousands of injuries and deaths. Fires can originate from many sources; too many holiday lights plugged into an outlet, portable heating devices, or roaring fireplaces. However, there are precautions that homeowners can take to keep the home fires burning safely.

The use of alternative heating devices is a significant source of many winter fires. "Fire departments and organizations such as the American Red Cross are at their busiest during the winter," said Mike Convery, vice president and chief claim officer for MetLife Auto & Home. "Alternative heating devices, such as a space heater or wood stove, can be attractive cost-saving alternatives, but they increase the likelihood of a home fire occurring, if used improperly."

Holiday candles are also one of the leading causes of fires. In fact, the greatest number of home candle fires happen during celebrations such as Christmas Day, Hanukkah and Kwanzaa. Many fires occur when holiday decorations, such as centerpieces, come into contact with a lit candle, which is why it's important to consider fire safety when using candles as part of holiday decorating.

Fireplace and wood stove safety tips:

- Keep a tight-fitting screen on your fireplace and obtain a professional inspection annually before use. You should also have your chimney cleaned on a regular basis to remove any debris.

- If you have a wood-burning stove, make sure there is ample clearance between the stove and any combustible materials. Burn only dry, well-seasoned wood, and dispose of the ashes in a closed metal container outside. Do not burn trash - this can start a chimney fire. Never let a wood fire burn unattended.

- With any type of heater, such as an electric space heater or portable kerosene heater, use common sense. Always keep the heater away from flammables and - although it may be tempting, especially in snow-prone areas - never accelerate the drying of clothes by placing them on top of the heater.

Holiday fire prevention tips

- Deep-frying turkey during the holidays is becoming an American tradition, but be warned: there is the risk of severe injury and property damage from using gas-fired turkey fryers. Fryers can easily tip over, spilling up to five gallons of hot oil, and if a partially frozen turkey is dunked into the fryer, the oil could spill over and cause an explosion. Units without automatic thermostat controls can heat the oil to combustion.

- If you celebrate the season with a live Christmas tree, select one that is fresh and water it regularly. Keep it away from heat sources and exits. If you use an artificial tree, make sure it's flame-resistant.

- Never leave a lit Hanukkah Menorah or a Kwanzaa Kinara unattended. Have a candle snuffer and a fire extinguisher nearby.

- Never burn a discarded Christmas tree, wreath, or branches in your fireplace. Dry greens burn hot and fast, and often release sparks.

- With plenty of electric lights and decorations set to illuminate the holidays, it's important to remember not to overload wall outlets and extension cords. Use a power strip where you can.

Horsing around on Christmas

‘I Want a Pony!’ A shopper’s guide to the inevitable holiday request

(MS) -Let's face it: for as long as most can remember, when a parent asks a child what she wants for the holidays, a pony usually makes the top of the list. While this request may seem like more of a fantasy than a practical gift, these days, this dream is increasingly becoming a reality. This can in part be attributed to the fact that in the last decade, the Internet has helped make selling and purchasing virtually anything under the sun faster and easier - and horses are no exception.

Aaron Bromagem, founder of Equine.com, one of the largest online horse marketplaces on the Internet, has seen the online buying and selling of horses skyrocket in the past two years alone.

"A search for a new horse is begun every second on Equine.com, and approximately one horse is sold every 29 minutes, and the holidays are no exception," said Bromagem. "With more than 55,000 horses available for sale, stud or lease every day, there is a massive global network of buyers and sellers looking to connect, making Equine.com a great resource for parents looking to do some serious, educated holiday shopping."

Today, consumers have instant access to numerous Web sites that offer hundreds of thousands of horses in all breeds and disciplines, from miniature ponies to thoroughbred stallions. If cost is an inhibitor, Web sites such as Equine.com offer many horses free to a good home.

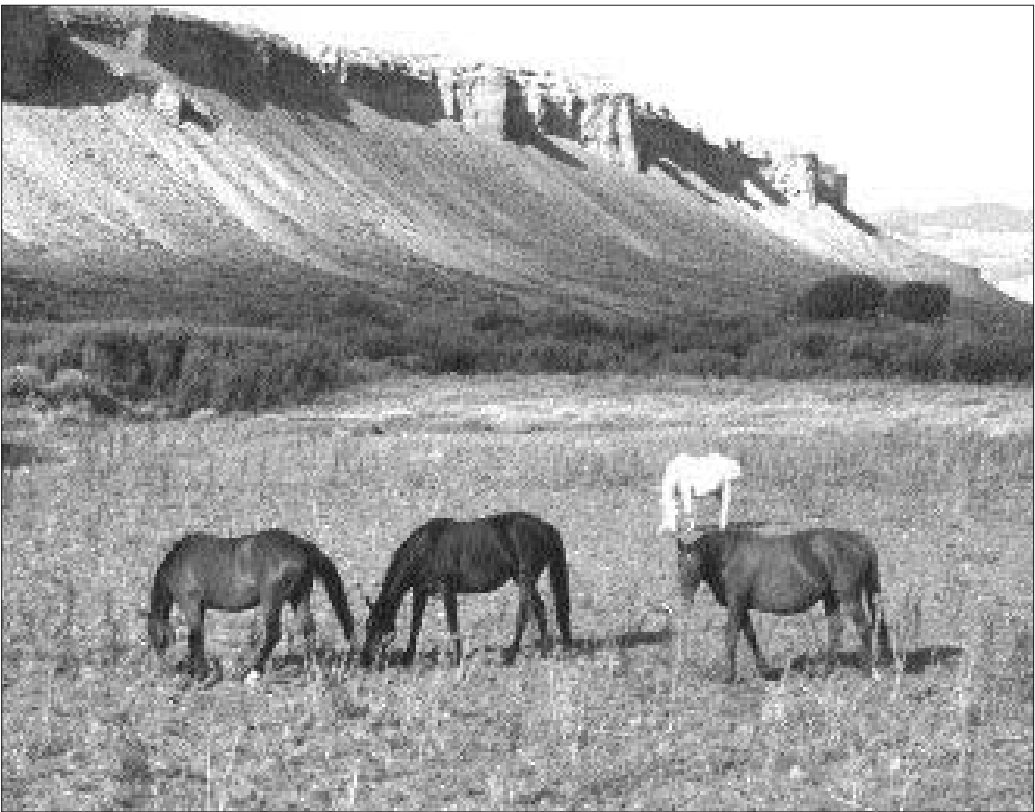
"Armed with the proper knowledge, families worldwide can safely and conveniently search, purchase and provide a new home for their favorite animal just in time

for the holidays," said Bromagem. "We can easily help parents make their child's dream of owning a pony come true."

But how does one go about shopping for such an important gift during the most hectic time of the year? Bromagem, who has witnessed the industry grow since he founded the company more than a decade ago and has helped ensure online horse brokering keeps pace with today's technology, notes that there are several smart and time-saving tips shoppers should keep in mind this season when exploring buying a horse.

1) Look to technology to showcase the horse's abilities: While visiting an animal in person is always ideal, it is not always practical, especially as the weather cools and schedules fill with all the goings-on associated with the holidays. Online advertisements featuring videos and photos allow buyers to make more informed choices. By searching ads with action-filled clips of a horse trotting, galloping or jumping, consumers can see for themselves a horse's conformation and abilities, right from their own computer.

2) Connect with fellow buyers: Connecting with horse owners who have been through, or are going through, the buying or selling process can be helpful given the tips and "inside" information they can share. Consumers should communicate with other users via online forums, message centers or



blogs, whenever possible - this instant communication can make life a little easier as the autumn bustle kicks into high gear.

3) Beware of scams: The online shopping industry often is targeted for scams, particularly around the holidays when more people are buying online, so consumers should be cautious when completing equine sales, just as they are when purchasing other goods over the Internet. While the online horse industry works to protect users from scammers, consumers always should be cautious by using secure methods of payment and keeping detailed records when conducting transactions. Additionally, consumers should perform thorough research on transportation companies, as many that promote their businesses to online horse brokers do not specialize in equine hauling, raising concerns about the safety of the animals they carry.

4) Gear up: Once a horse has found a good home, he will need equipment and a few holiday gifts of his own. Shoppers should explore what they and their new animal may need to get comfortable in their new relationship - including trailers and trucks, tacks, saddles, feed, books and informational DVDs, as well as apparel and grooming materials. Horse products and accessories can be found online at Equine.com and the newly launched shopping site, <http://shopping.equine.com>.

While each family may have their own unique needs, with the right know-how, they can easily find the perfect present at their fingertips. By following these guidelines, families seeking a horse this season can practically and promptly grant the ultimate wish to their family, while also protecting their animals and their investments. For more information, or to post or browse for a horse, visit www.equine.com.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Anton Stadium stakeholders’ meeting set for Dec. 5

The City of Ukiah Community Services Department would like to announce a meeting for the stakeholders of Anton Stadium. The meeting will be reviewing project status and continuing with fundraising planning.

The meeting will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 5, 2007, at 5:30 p.m. at the Ukiah Civic Center Annex, 411 W. Clay Street, in Conference Room 5.

Potter Valley Garden Club to meet on Dec. 5

On Wednesday, Dec. 5, the Potter Valley Garden Club will meet at Carol Hermismeyer’s home at 1 p.m. The club officers will host the meeting. Instead of the customary exchange of gifts between members, each member will contribute to a “Kitty” and by agreement of the members the money will be donated to a worthy cause. In years past this gift has been given to the volunteer fire department in Potter Valley, The Youth Program or other needy causes.

For more information, call Carol Hermismeyer, 743-1137. Carol’s address is: 12556 Powerhouse Road in Potter Valley.

Phoenix Hospice holiday support group set for Dec. 5

Phoenix Hospice will be presenting its annual seminar, “Acknowledging Loss at the Holidays,” on Wednesday, Dec. 5, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the new Phoenix Hospice Bereavement Room, 100 San Hedrin Circle, Willits. The end-of-year holidays often present special challenges for those who have experienced major losses due to death, divorce, moving, or job changes. At this time of the year scheduled for celebrating, many individuals may feel out of step, a certain hollowness to the gaiety. The bereaved feel a heightened sense of loss and sadness. An empty seat at the table, a solitary presence in a home shared for many years, social activities now abandoned or changed -- all may contribute to a desperate wish to somehow avoid the holidays altogether.

Hospice offers community members the opportunity to explore feelings of personal loss in the context of the holiday season. Realistic goals and coping strategies will be presented. Finding new ways to move through this time of the year can honor both lost loved ones and survivors on the journey of healing.

“Acknowledging Loss at the Holidays” will be facilitated by Stephanie Gang, Bereavement Coordinator. This presentation is offered free of charge to all community members. For more

information or preregistration, call Stephanie Gang at 456-3243.

A Healing Cooperative’s ‘Holiday Open House’ to include art show on Dec. 7

A Healing Cooperative will hold its annual Holiday Open House and Art Show on Friday, Dec. 7, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Participants will be able to view or buy art work from various local artists who are also AHC participants, as well as socialize amidst food, music and fun. Materials for making holiday wreaths will be available, as will AHC staff, participants and volunteers.

All are invited. For more information, call Larmie at 462-3360, ext. 203. Persons interested in submitting art for the show should contact Lynn Thompson, by Wednesday, Dec. 5, at 391-2414.

PCCY and PCCY Child Abuse Prevention Commission set to meet on Dec. 7

The Mendocino County Policy Council on Children and Youth and the PCCY Child Abuse Prevention Commission will meet on Friday, Dec. 7, from 2 to 4 p.m., at the Mendocino County Department of Social Services, 747 S. State St., Big Sur conference room, Ukiah. Videoconferencing to Ukiah will be held at the Fort Bragg office of the Department of Social Services, at 825 S. Franklin.

For more information, call Jill Singleton at 463-7929.

St. Mary’s 3-day rummage sale set for Dec. 7, 8 and 9

St. Mary’s School invites the community to drop by for the bi-annual rummage sale and pick up a treasure or two. There will be a wide assortment of accessories, toys, household goods, appliances, and furniture at the sale. Held in the school auditorium, the rummage sale will be open on Friday, Dec. 7 from 9 am to 4 pm, Saturday, Dec. 8, from 9 am to 2 pm, and on Sunday, Dec. 9, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday is “\$1 a Bag” day but many of the bargains may be gone by then.

Ten percent of the sale proceeds will be donated to Plowshares. The school is located at 991 S. Dora St. in Ukiah. For more information, contact the St. Mary’s School office during their regular office hours at 462-3888.

Soroptimist of Ukiah to begin selling See’s Dec. 8

Soroptimist International of Ukiah will begin selling Christmas See’s Candy on Saturday Dec. 8, in front of Raley’s Supermarket at the Crossroad Shopping

Center. Sales will be daily until Dec. 18, or until sold out. Hours are Saturday and Sundays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Monday through Friday, 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Soroptimist International of Ukiah’s profits from the sale help women and girls in our community. Their beneficiaries have included The Cancer Recourse Center, American Cancer Society, The Ukiah Dolphins, LVN program, Scholarships at High Schools in the area, The Girl Scouts, MS Mendocino and Hospice of Ukiah among others. For more information about Soroptimist or the candy sales, call Nikki at 463-8600 or Jessica at 743-1902.

Emblem Club fashion show set for Dec. 8

Ukiah Emblem Club’s Annual Fashion Show will be held on Saturday, Dec. 8, at noon in the Norm Island Building, Ukiah Elks Lodge, 1200 Hastings Road, Ukiah.

Fashions by Especially For You will be modeled and available for purchase. A luncheon will be prepared by Gladys Delsol. There will be door prizes and a raffle, with a \$12 donation requested.

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Holiday

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Faire from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. at the Redwood Empire Fairgrounds. The event is put on by The Waldorf School of Mendocino County and once again it's a chance for students to let their creative expression run free as they have been hard at work preparing ornaments and other items for the sale. The children will also be volunteering their time at the event.

"The students get really excited about volunteering and being there," said Kelly Austin, a sixth-grade teacher at Waldorf. "They really enjoy a chance to make presents for other people."

All of the different grades at Waldorf have been preparing their own unique items, which include Japanese-themed wood prints and homemade greeting cards from the eighth-grade classes. Teacher Alena Cochran said "I love being there with the children. "It's really neat for them to have a chance to see the stuff they made getting sold."

In addition to the students' work, the Holiday Crafts Faire, located inside Carl Purdy Hall at the fairgrounds, will include candle making, artists, gifts, treasures, music, activities and prizes among the many things going on. The event is free to the public.

The Sun House at the Grace Hudson Museum will come to life Saturday with a special visit from Santa Claus. Santa will be visiting as part of the Holiday Open House at Grace Hudson, which has become an annual event -- and the fun at the Sun House doesn't stop there either.

From 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. Saturday, Santa Claus will be available for pictures at the Sun House. Inside the house, Marvin Schenck, museum curator, and the rest of the Grace Hudson staff have

adorned the house in thick, green garlands and wreaths for Christmas, all to give visitors an idea of how the Hudson family might have decorated the place, which was built in 1911.

"It's a great chance to remind people about this house in a more 20th century way," Schenck said Thursday. "It's just magic in here."

In addition to the redecorated house and Santa Claus, there will be carolers on site to help supplement the Christmas spirit with songs of sleigh rides and joy for the world. There's also a public room at Grace Hudson that will feature handmade wreaths and other Christmas goodies for sale.

Finally, the weekend

rounds off with the Holiday Tea and Sale at the Ukiah Garden Club, 1203 W. Clay St., from 12:30 until 3:30 p.m. Sunday. The tea and sale is an annual event for the Garden Club as members of the club have been working throughout the fall to prepare items like greens, swags, wreaths, scarves, mobiles and more for the big sale.

"It's exciting because you get to work with and meet people you enjoy," Helen McChesney said Thursday. McChesney was busy bunching greens for wreaths at the Garden Club. "Christmas is such a good time. It's a fun thing to do. I like making wreaths, and this is my contribution for the year."

In addition to the Christmas items for sale, the Garden Club will also be offering a food sale where

people can purchase breads, cookies and other treats. Those interested in placing an order for holiday greens can

do so by visiting the Ukiah Garden Club at 1203 W. Clay Street.

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Temperature

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Precipitation

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Month to date 0.67"

Normal month to date 5.21"

Season to date 3.00"

Last season to date 4.40"

Normal season to date 8.14"

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Shown is today's weather. Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.

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City	Today	Sat.	City	Today	Sat.
	Hi/Low/W	Hi/Low/W		Hi/Low/W	Hi/Low/W
Anaheim	64/49/r	62/44/pc	Napa	58/35/pc	55/37/pc
Antioch	56/36/pc	54/39/pc	Needles	67/50/r	65/43/s
Arroyo Grande	59/39/pc	58/32/pc	Oakland	57/38/pc	56/41/pc
Atascadero	60/34/pc	57/34/pc	Ontario	63/49/r	56/39/pc
Auburn	54/34/pc	51/40/pc	Orange	64/49/r	62/41/pc
Barstow	56/42/r	57/34/pc	Oxnard	61/45/c	57/42/pc
Big Sur	56/38/pc	55/43/pc	Palm Springs	65/49/r	62/44/pc
Bishop	51/19/pc	49/15/pc	Pasadena	63/46/r	59/42/pc
Blythe	66/53/r	67/41/pc	Pomona	63/46/r	60/39/pc
Burbank	63/50/r	55/40/pc	Potter Valley	53/28/pc	50/37/s
California City	56/38/c	54/26/pc	Redding	52/28/pc	48/38/s
Carpinteria	58/47/c	57/39/pc	Riverside	63/46/r	57/37/pc
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Chico	56/33/pc	53/39/s	Salinas	57/36/pc	55/40/pc
Crescent City	50/35/pc	49/44/pc	San Bernardino	64/45/r	59/39/pc
Death Valley	69/44/c	69/35/pc	San Diego	64/54/r	59/50/pc
Downey	64/50/r	62/44/pc	San Fernando	62/43/r	57/40/pc
Encinitas	64/50/r	61/45/pc	San Francisco	57/42/pc	57/45/pc
Escondido	67/49/r	61/43/pc	San Jose	58/38/pc	56/43/pc
Eureka	48/31/pc	48/41/pc	San Luis Obispo	59/37/pc	58/38/pc
Fort Bragg	53/39/pc	52/41/pc	San Rafael	55/43/pc	54/41/pc
Fresno	59/35/pc	55/33/pc	Santa Ana	61/54/r	60/46/pc
Gilroy	57/36/pc	56/39/pc	Santa Barbara	60/41/c	58/37/pc
Indio	68/48/r	68/41/pc	Santa Cruz	57/40/pc	56/42/pc
Irvine	61/54/r	60/46/pc	Santa Monica	64/50/r	58/46/pc
Hollywood	63/47/r	60/44/pc	Santa Rosa	59/33/pc	57/37/pc
Lake Arrowhead	50/29/r	41/23/sf	S. Lake Tahoe	40/11/pc	36/15/pc
Lodi	57/34/pc	54/36/pc	Stockton	59/31/pc	55/35/pc
Lompoc	57/40/c	54/37/pc	Tahoe Valley	40/11/pc	36/15/pc
Long Beach	61/50/r	59/43/pc	Torrance	63/50/r	61/46/pc
Los Angeles	64/51/r	60/46/pc	Vacaville	58/32/pc	54/39/pc
Mammoth	39/14/pc	32/7/pc	Vallejo	55/41/pc	54/39/pc
Marysville	57/33/pc	54/37/s	Van Nuys	62/45/r	57/40/pc
Modesto	57/33/pc	55/36/pc	Visalia	60/34/pc	55/34/pc
Monrovia	64/46/r	59/41/pc	Willits	51/26/pc	48/36/s
Monterey	54/40/pc	55/41/pc	Yosemite Valley	50/20/pc	47/17/pc
Morro Bay	54/42/pc	55/42/pc	Yreka	41/19/pc	40/29/pc

Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

Lake Mendocino – Lake level: 710.67 feet; Storage: 29,514 acre-feet (Maximum storage 122,500 acre-feet) Inflow: 75 cfs Outflow: 176 cfs
Air quality – Ozone: .033 ppm (State standard .090 ppm) Carbon monoxide: 1.08 ppm (20.0 ppm) Nitrogen dioxide: .026 ppm (.25 ppm)

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from Lake Mendocino.

As per a term of the water district's agreement with the Sonoma County Water Agency, the district must reduce withdrawals from the lake to half of the average for the month over the last three years if storage in the lake drops below 30,000 acre-feet.

According to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, storage in Lake Mendocino on Thursday was 29,514 acre-feet.

This means the district will only be allowed to draw 30 acre-feet of water from the lake in December.

Declaration of a water emergency will allow the board to activate an ordinance it passed earlier this year, said district General Manager Bill Koehler.

The ordinance allows for phased enforcement of conservation measures in the district,

all the way up to mandatory conservation under certain conditions.

Currently, the board is only considering voluntary conservation, Koehler said. A letter is being sent out to district customers informing them that, if the declaration of emergency passes, the board will be asking for an immediate cessation of the use of agricultural water and an increase in voluntary conservation of domestic water use to 40 percent. Water district customers have already achieved 30 percent voluntary reduction.

Koehler said those measures would remain in place until the board's December meeting, when the situation would be re-evaluated.

The public meeting to make a decision on declaring a water emergency will be held within the next two weeks, the exact date to be announced soon, Koehler said.

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Briefly

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Bush presses Democrats to approve Iraq war funding

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush sternly pressed Democrats to approve money to fund the Iraq war "without strings and without delay" before leaving town for the Christmas holidays, something congressional leaders have already indicated they will not do. After more failed attempts to pass legislation ordering troops home from Iraq, Democrats have said they plan to sit on Bush's \$196 billion request for war spending until next year.

Bush said this will push the Pentagon toward an accounting nightmare and affect the military's ability to do its job

protecting the country.

Bin Laden urges Europeans to stop helping America

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Al-Qaida chief Osama bin Laden called on Europeans to stop helping the United States in the war in Afghanistan, according to excerpts of a new audiotape broadcast Thursday on Al-Jazeera television.

Bin Laden said it was unjust for the United States to have invaded Afghanistan for sheltering him after the Sept. 11 terror attacks, saying he was the "only one responsible" for the deadly assaults on New York and Washington.

"The events of Manhattan were retaliation against the American-Israeli alliance's aggression against our people in Palestine and Lebanon, and I am the only one responsible for it. The Afghan people and government knew nothing about it," he said.

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In June, the State Water Resources Control Board announced that entities that take water out of the Russian River, which flows out of Lake Mendocino, must reduce water usage by 15 percent.

The city of Ukiah has been practicing voluntary water conservation since the beginning of July.

Roland Sanford of the Mendocino County Water Agency said he will be presenting the board with options for water conservation, especially in land use planning.

"We'll be looking at things like landscaping and indoor plumbing," he said. "We'll also be looking at whether or not it would be a good idea to join the California Urban

Water Conservation Council, which is made up of public and private sector water boards."

According to the group's Web site, the California Urban Water Conservation Council was created to "increase efficient water use statewide through partnerships among urban water agencies, public interest organizations and private entities...and now has 384 members."

Sanford said water conservation wasn't always a regular item of concern, and was previously only implemented when a crisis was already under way.

"Water conservation used to only be for emergencies, but now it's a day-in and day-out kind of concern," he said.

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December to finish the job.

"The work is almost complete," Frisbie said.

In total the project, called the Calpella Rehabilitation, repaired road issues on close to five miles of Highway 20 between the intersection with Highway 101 and the Potter Valley turn-off.

Construction crews started work in April of 2006, fixing culverts and drainage along the road and rebuilding banks and shoulders as well as installing additional guardrails and re-paving the road surface with rubberized asphalt.

"The paving was one of the more superficial things we did," Frisbie said.

All told, the project repaired or replaced 47 culverts and drainage systems.

Granite Construction of Ukiah was the primary contractor on the job and did the bulk of the work quickly and efficiently, Frisbie said.

"The contractor is completing the job one month ahead of schedule," he said.

The project is also expected to come in under its \$11.6 million budget.

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Holiday Open House at Grace Hudson Museum and Sun House this Saturday

The Sun House will sparkle with decorations during the annual Holiday Open House on Saturday, Dec. 1, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The day's free events will include caroling by the Ukiah Madrigal Singers, guided tours of the Sun House, visits with Santa Claus, gift shopping, refreshments, book signings, and browsing of "Radiant Visions," Grace Hudson Museum's stunning exhibit of Huichol Indian art.

Grace Hudson Museum's Holiday Open House always draws lots of kids, both big and little, who treasure the warmly convivial atmosphere, the varied activities, and the opportunity to buy beautiful arts, crafts, and books. Authors will be on hand to sign several books, including Jeanette Stroh cookbooks, A.O. Carpenter's historical Mendocino County photography catalogues, and Holly Brackman's textile text. All items from the Museum Store will be on sale at a 15 percent discount.

In addition to gift store items, specialty items from local artisans and businesses will be on sale, including products from McFadden Farms, P. J. Gourmet and Stroh Ranch, Potter Valley Soap Works, Mendocino Wine Company, Horsetail Studio, Kylee's Kandies, and Carol Hall's Hot Pepper Jelly Company. All sales benefit Grace Hudson Museum and Sun House.

Grace Hudson Museum is at 431 S. Main St., Ukiah. From Highway 101, take Gobbi St. to Main. Turn right on Main. For more information, call 467-2836 or visit their web site at www.gracehudsonmuseum.org.

Cheshire Books to host local authors' book signing on Dec. 1

Cheshire Books invites the community to a book signing with four of the coast's most accomplished authors on Saturday afternoon, Dec. 1 at 2 p.m.

The authors include Julie Higgins who, along with poet Joe Pulichino, has published a beautiful gift-book entitled "Illuminated Heart: Love Songs of a Zen Romantic;" Ginny Rorby, who is a nationally recognized young-adult author, with a locally set novel, "Hurt Go Happy;" Larry Wagner, who recently published Artists of the Mendocino Coast, an elegant photographic volume showcasing seventy-seven local artist; and professional organizer Maggie Watson, author of the increasingly significant guide-book, which is designed to give loved-ones peace of mind, "A Graceful Farewell: Putting Your Affairs in Order." For more information, call Cheshire Books at 964-5918. Cheshire Books is located at 345 N. Franklin St. in downtown Fort Bragg, directly across from Racine's.

Santa is coming to town on Dec. 1

Santa is coming to downtown Ukiah Saturday, Dec. 1 at 3 p.m. to kick off our Small-Town Christmas. Santa will be coming to Santa's Workshop at 259 S. School Street in Ukiah at 3 p.m. Santa will be available to have photos taken at his Workshop (259 S. School Street) from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

At 4:45 p.m., there will be live entertainment at the Alex R. Thomas Plaza, only a few feet away from Santa's workshop.

At 5:45 p.m., Santa is going to help light the Town Tree and you can join caroling in the Plaza.

At 6 p.m., The Truckers Light Parade begins on State Street. Santa will be in his workshop every Thursday, Friday and Saturday Dec. 6 through Dec. 22. Thursdays from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., Fridays from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday's from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Santa's Workshop Small Town Christmas in Historic Downtown Ukiah is sponsored by the Greater Ukiah Chamber of Commerce. For more information call 462-4705.

Waldorf School Holiday Faire set for this Saturday

The 35th annual Holiday Crafts Faire, the county's longest running arts and crafts faire, will once again be presented by the Waldorf School of Mendocino County in Carl Purdy Hall at the Ukiah Fairgrounds, on Saturday, Dec. 1, from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. Free admission and parking will be available.

Parents and children can work together making hand made gifts and holiday ornaments. Make-it-yourself stations include: candle dipping, scented sachet sewing, cookie decorating, woodworking, and silk scarf painting.

This event is an opportunity for people wishing to purchase unique holiday gifts made by local artisans and crafts people. Jams, jewelry, silks, hand spun/woven clothing, ceramics, candles, herbs, toys, quilts, books, woodcrafts and more will be available. Lunch and live music will be available to fair patrons, as well.

This year's raffle drawing prizes include a Tahoe ski vacation, a romantic weekend on the Mendocino coast, hot air ballooning, a mountain bike with accessories, a multi-case wine and treats package, and season theatre tickets following dinners at local restaurants, to name a few.

3rd 'Noche de Estrellas'this Saturday

Near and Arnold's School of Performing Arts and Cultural Education and Nuestra Casa will present "Noche de Estrellas" ("Night of the Stars"), a Spanish language talent show of song, dance, poetry featuring over 50 local performers ages 5 to 85. It will take place on Saturday, Dec. 1, 7 p.m., at the Ukiah High School Auditorium, 1000 Low Gap Road, Ukiah.

All ages are invited to attend the evening of songs, music, dance, street theater, jokes and stories in Spanish. General admission is \$5. for more information, call 462-9370, or visit SPACE's web site at <http://www.spaceperformingarts.org>.

MCT to run 'Quartet' through Sunday

Ronald Harwood's comedy "Quartet," directed by Betty Abramson and sponsored by Rossi's Building Materials, fills the final slot in the Mendocino Theatre Company's season, opening Nov. 1 and running for 20 performances through Dec. 2.

Quartet tells the story of four retired opera singers, played by MTC veteran actors Dan Kozloff, Ann Woodhead, Ruby Bell Sherpa and David Woolis, who find themselves at a retirement home for musicians. When they're asked to reprise their roles as the "Quartet" in the famous opera Rigoletto for the home's annual celebration of Guiseppe Verdi's birthday, the play becomes a celebration of friendship, love, music, opera, aging and Guiseppe Verdi.

Quartet will run Thursdays through Sundays until Dec. 2. All performances are at 8 p.m. except for 2 p.m. Sunday matinees on Nov. 25 and Dec. 2 (no night performances on these dates).

Tickets are \$15 on Thursday, Friday and Sunday; \$20 on Saturday. Call for reservations 937-4477 or visit www.mendocinotheatre.org.

Mendocino Ballet's Holiday Tea Party set for Sunday

Mendocino Ballet invites the community to attend a Holiday Tea Party at their studio on Sunday, Dec. 2, from 2 to 4 p.m. The event will include sandwiches and sweet treats while attendees are entertained by holiday characters, including Mrs. Claus, preview scenes from The Nutcracker Ballet, browse in the holiday boutique and enter free door prize drawings.

Tickets are available at the Mendocino Ballet Studio, located at 205 S. State Street, or at the Mendocino Book Company. The ticket prices are \$12 for adults, and \$8 for children 12 and under. Proceeds from this event go to support Mendocino Ballet. For more information, call Trudy McCreanor at 463-2290.

Mary Hazlewood of John Wiley & Sons to Speak on Dec. 4

On Thursday, Dec. 6, Bookbuilders Northcoast will hold its quarterly Networking Salon Dinner from 6:30 to 9 p.m., at the Hill House in Mendocino. The featured guest is Mary Hazlewood, Manager of Production Technology, at John Wiley & Sons.

Hazlewood has a BA in printmaking from SFSU and has worked for a catalog publisher, a design studio, and a commercial print shop. She developed and oversaw an electronic composition program called EMM for Jossey-Bass, and was the graphic designer for a university in-plant printing facility for 12 years. Having weathered the transitions from cold type to the digital age, Ms. Hazlewood has learned to relish the inevitable technology advances in publishing. In her talk "Emerging Trends in Publishing Technology: Tools You Can Use," she will touch on advances in publishing technology -- things authors,

publishers, and freelancers should be aware of to stay current. She aims to demystify terms like XML, metadata, keywords, soft proofing, and eBooks

In addition to Ms. Hazlewood's talk, there will be time for networking with other attendees, a White Elephant gift exchange, and an Italian-style buffet dinner. The event is open to the public, at a cost of \$21 per person. The deadline for reservations is Tuesday, Dec. 4. Reservations can be made by e-mailing northcoast@booksbuilders.org.

'Urban Birds' art exhibit at Tierra -- Art, Garden Wine set to open on Dec. 6

Using a variety of imagery processes and forms, Tierra -- Art, Garden, Wine's proprietor Nicole Martenson has created a collection of pieces that ask the questions "What would it be like without these species?" and "What voids do they fill in our lives if we just pay attention?"

"I think differently about gardening now," says Martensen. "We often leave seed heads on plants for the birds to harvest and our plants for sale at Tierra are chosen with pollinators in mind. It's great to see hummingbirds, bluebirds, tohees, tit mice, and juncos finding some benefit." An artist reception will be held on Thursday, Dec. 6, 5 to 8 p.m. at Tierra, 312 N. School St., in downtown Ukiah. For more information, call 468-7936.

Kitty Rose to perform at the Hopland Inn on Dec. 7

Kitty Rose, that "Singing Cowgirl from Hopland, California," will perform her annual holiday concert on Friday, Dec. 7, at 8 p.m. The public is invited to the Hopland Inn to listen to country music while dining, or just sitting and listening.

Reservations are suggested, as seating is limited. For more information, call the Hopland Inn at 744-1890.

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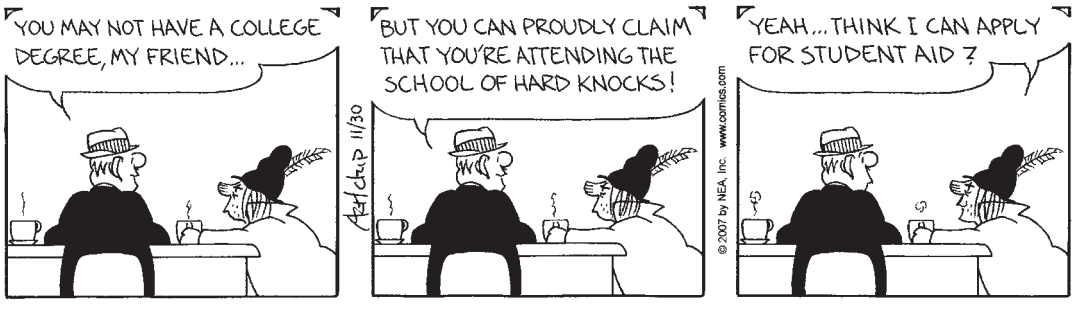
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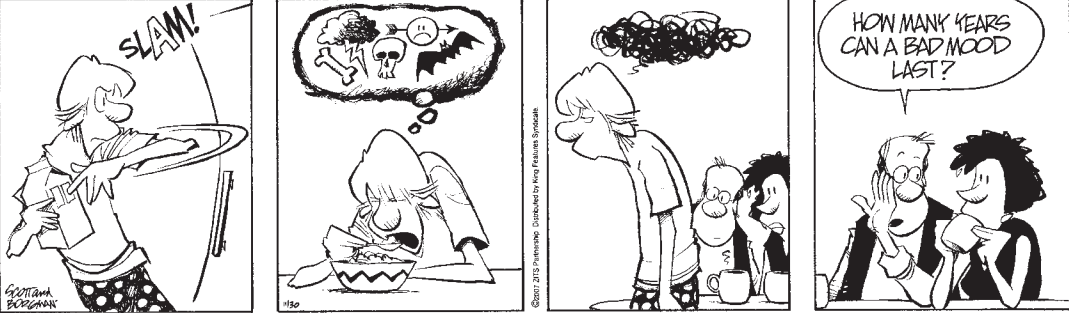
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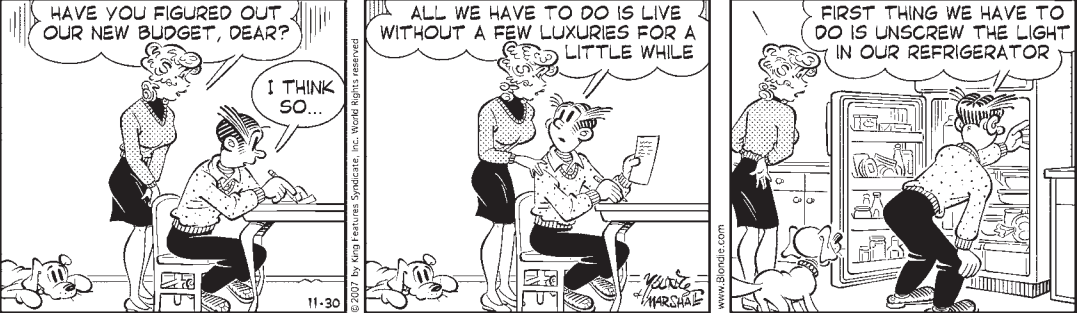
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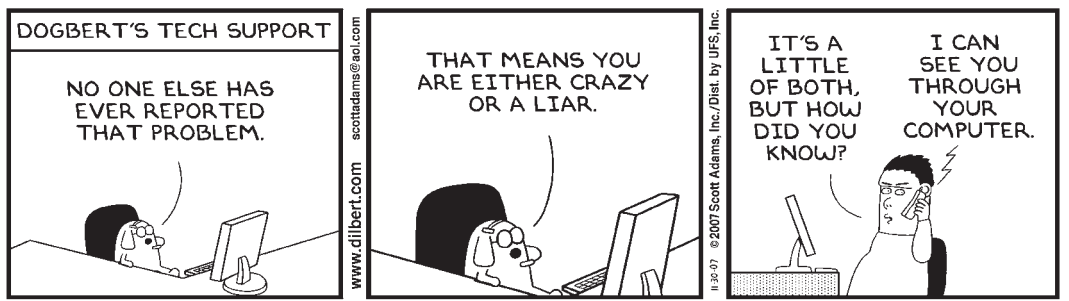
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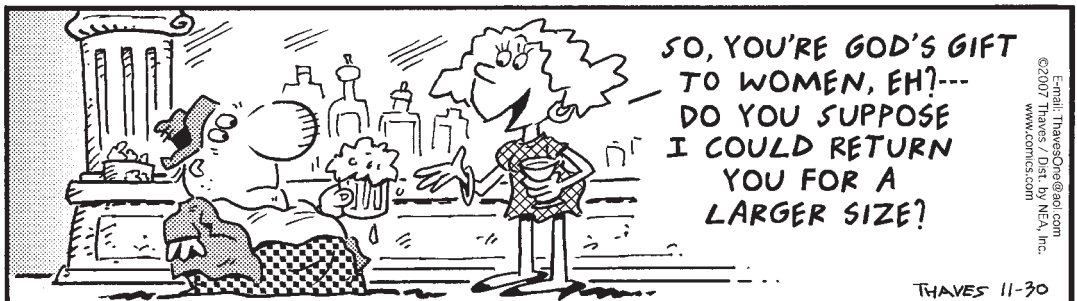
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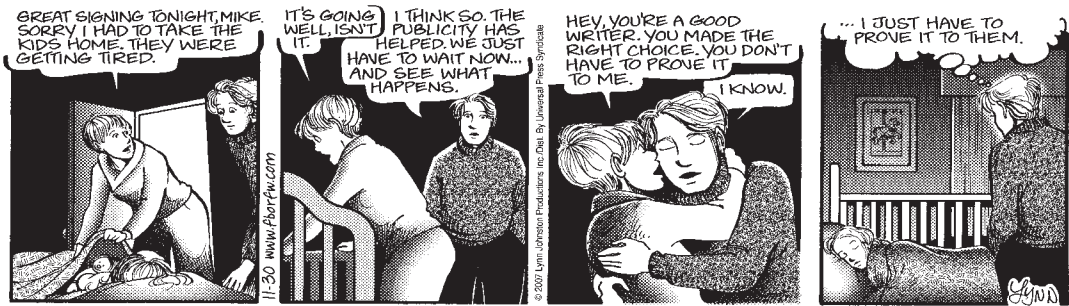
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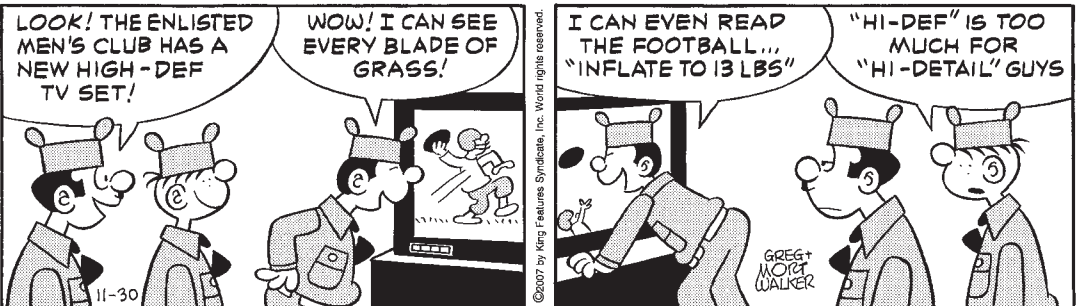
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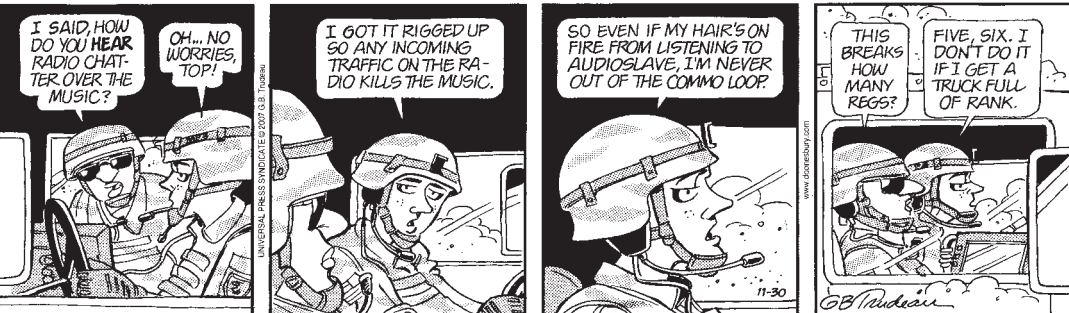
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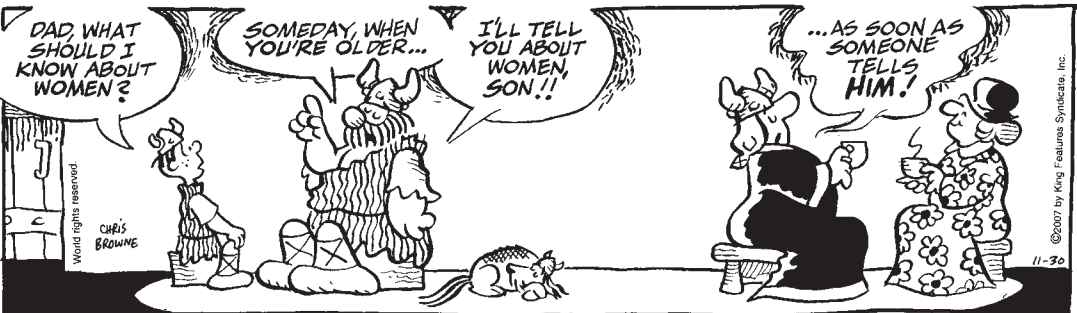
DOONESBURY

by Gary Trudeau



HAGAR THE HORRIBLE

by Dik Browne



Datebook: Friday, November 30, 2007

Today is the 334th day of 2007 and the 69th day of autumn.
TODAY'S HISTORY: In 1939, the Soviet Union invaded Finland.
In 1993, President Bill Clinton signed the Brady Bill, a major gun-control measure.
In 2004, Ken Jennings' 74-game winning

streak on the quiz show "Jeopardy!" came to an end.
TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Jonathan Swift (1667-1745), clergyman/satirist; Mark Twain (Samuel Clemens) (1835-1910), writer; Sir Winston Churchill (1874-1965), British statesman; Dick Clark (1929-), TV personality/pro-

ducer, is 78; Abbie Hoffman (1936-1989), political activist; Ridley Scott (1937-), director, is 70; Billy Idol (1955-), singer, is 52; Bo Jackson (1962-), athlete, is 45; Ben Stiller (1965-), actor, is 42.
TODAY'S SPORTS: In 1991, the U.S. women's soccer team defeated Norway to win the first women's soccer world championship.
TODAY'S QUOTE: "Free speech is the right to shout 'theater' in a crowded fire." -- a

Yippie proverb
TODAY'S FACT: Mark Twain's two most widely read books, "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn" and "The Adventures of Tom Sawyer" can be found on the American Library Association's list of most frequently banned books in the United States.
TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (Nov. 24) and last quarter (Dec. 1).



ASTROGRAPH

By Bernice Bede Osol



Saturday, Dec. 1, 2007
A plethora of opportunities could flow your way in the year ahead, and you'll want to take advantage of all of them, but you can't. Select only those you can comfortably handle, so you don't collapse under the load.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) -- Make certain that all you do is well thought out, because relying upon chance or Lady Luck to pull you through important matters could be a pipe dream. They'll not be dependable allies.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Even if others tend to exaggerate things, don't yield to a temptation to top their tall tales. They actually won't get away with their fibs

in the final analysis, and neither will you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) -- If you're not sure what is at stake or what you're doing concerning a financial deal, get expert advice. A miscalculation over the cost of something could turn out to be an expensive mistake.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) -- In order for this day to be a productive and happy one, you must avoid hanging out with erratic associates. Their unexpected shenanigans could cause more trouble than you'd like.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) -- There are all kinds of jobs and projects you may intend to get done that would better your circumstances. But

if you are sloppy in handling them, they could give you a headache instead.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -- You may want to run the show, but you'll be better off blending into the group, rather than sticking out. If you attempt to manipulate your peers, they are likely to shut you down.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) -- You might start out like a house on fire, attempting to do all kinds of chores. You'll tire just as quickly. Don't expect others to finish things; they'll leave the mess for you to clean up.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- Normally you're very adroit at thinking on your feet,

but you could have a strong tendency to jump to conclusions instead. Take time to gather all the facts and sort things out realistically.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- It's generally a good policy not to borrow expensive items from others, but if you think this is necessary, take extra care in handling the item. There's a strong possibility of breakage.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- When it comes to partnership situations, be extremely selective. If you get involved with a sloppy worker, you may end up having to help pay for his or her mistakes.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)

-- Others should be willing to help you out, but only up to a point. Don't take on something you know you can't complete without assistance. The job could be left hanging.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) -- What is apt to contribute to your downfall is building large hopes upon false premises. Although it's always good to be optimistic, your assumptions may be based on unrealistic factors.

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Puzzlers

ACROSS

1 Hiker's trail

5 Fake it

8 Nick or scratch

11 Spoken

13 Marshal's problem

14 Teahouse attire

15 Depend on

16 Pouched animal

18 Raids the fridge

20 Wildlife shelters

21 About, datewise

23 Mousse alternative

24 Knows how

25 Bassoon cousin

27 Gravy no-no

31 Mae West role

32 Brief rests

33 Feng —

34 From square one

36 Get fresh

38 Ozarks st.

39 Sherpa's sighting

40 Hoofbeat

41 Luau music

42 Tai language

44 Bright and —

46 Foundations

49 This, in Havana

50 In the yard

52 Winding curves

56 Halter

57 PC key

58 Cloves or nutmeg

59 Mattress problem

60 Space widths

61 Pack away

DOWN

1 Cry of disdain

2 Boxing great

3 Won — soup

4 More gigantic

5 Maj. — Hoople

6 Whistle blower

7 Carnivore's delight (hyph.)

8 Sphagnum

9 Border on

10 Teacup edges

12 Church assistant

17 Peddles

19 Hot sauce

21 Queeg's ship

22 Cove

23 Mural undercoats

24 Potter's supply

26 Gemstone

28 Self-move firm (hyph.)

29 Gloomy

30 Walleyed fish

35 Ploys

37 Heavy rainfalls

43 Put — (save)

45 Says hoarsely

46 Cuts short

47 Mystique

48 Adult male deer

49 Underwater shockers

51 Cave, perhaps

53 Plop down

54 Kind of system

55 Put in stitches

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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THE LEARNING CHALLENGER

by Robert Barnett

DIRECTIONS:

A. Using each "Chaos Grid" number with its letter one time, arrange the numbers with their letters for the "Order Grid" so each vertical column, horizontal row, and two diagonals each ADD to numbers inside thick lined cells.

B. Some correct numbers with their letters have been put into the "Order Grid" to get you started. Also, above the "Order Grid" is a "Decoded Message" clue.

C. After you have solved the "Order Grid" doing as direction "A" says, put the letters from horizontal rows, from left to right, under "Decoded Message" and make words to form the answer.

CHAOS GRID

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T	S	D	U

CLUE: WILDFLOWER

ORDER GRID

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DECODED MESSAGE:

ANSWERS IN NEXT EDITION

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Answers to Previous Learning Challenger

A FERTILE CRESCENT

35	6	-1	31
A	F	E	R
0	30	35	6
T	I	L	E
34	3	3	31
C	R	E	S
2	32	34	3
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11/29/2007

Run in papers of Friday, Nov. 30, 2007

CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

Today's clue: I equals J

" M B Y ' J T X A T B L Z M B L T K A B ' R U Z B R H L N M B Y J T M T R D X L H N A X . X A T J T ' R L B B L T T Z R T K A B U D L G B H X S B J M B Y . " - I D F T R U D D L

PREVIOUS SOLUTION — "I opened the door for a lot of people, and they just ran through and left me holding the knob." — Bo Diddley

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JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

GAREW

FECOR

HAVEEB

RARQUY

A: OF " (Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: HELLO ODDLY POLLEN DAMAGE Answer: What the greyhound turned into when he raced around the track — A "LAP" DOG

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by Henri Arnold and Mike Argirion

It makes a good doorstep

WHEN HE GOT A DEAD BATTERY FROM THE JUNK-YARD, IT WAS---

Mother wonders what to do about a rumored youthful crush

Dear Annie: I live in Southern California and have two kids. The oldest is 12. She has a brown belt in karate and two of her friends (they're brothers) also have brown belts.

The 15-year-old brother has a habit of talking to me every time I take my daughter to karate class. He comes up to the car window and says "Hi." I always ask how he's doing in school. I'm beginning to think, however, that he doesn't see me as a friend. The younger one told my daughter that his brother has a crush on me. The younger one also mentioned a vague threat that if the boy can't talk to me, he'll pick on my daughter.

Both of these boys attend the same school as my daughter. I've talked to their parents, and the karate instructor has talked to the older boy, but nothing is getting through his head. Is it just hormones, or is he reaching out for some other reason? This is starting to go a little too

ANNIE'S MAILBOX

By Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar

far. -- Concerned Mom

Dear Mom: Sounds like hormones, but we don't like the "vague threat." It's possible that his little brother is telling tall tales, but if your instincts say the boy could take out his frustrations on your daughter, you need to take it seriously. Make it clear that you have no interest in him. Cool the small talk. Be less friendly and chatty. If you are married, have your husband drive your daughter to karate for a while, or put her in a carpool so you don't see this boy as often. (Make sure the school and the karate instructor keep an eye on this kid.)

Dear Annie: I own a restaurant in a small town and am wondering what the correct protocol is for eating with my patrons. Since I know many of my patrons socially, we sometimes get together for meals. When discussing dinner plans with a friend last week, we decided to have dinner together and chose my restaurant.

After dinner, my friend simply left without offering to pay his share of the bill. This ended up costing me not only the food price and the loss of revenue from the dinner, but also the tip. This happens fairly often, and I guess people just presume the food and service is free since I am the owner.

How should I deal with this? Obviously, I do not want to end the social situations, but I am tired of always paying for dinner. This is especially difficult if there is liquor involved, because of the taxes. I could use some guidelines. My restaurant is my income, not a hobby for entertaining. -- Perplexed in Foodland

Dear Perplexed: Your friends don't realize

you have to pay for the food and drink served at a restaurant you own. The solution is quite simple. The next time you go out with friends, select a different restaurant. If they say they'd prefer yours, reply that eating in your own restaurant is like working overtime and it's much more pleasant for you to sample the other places around town. If they truly enjoy your company over the free ride, they will be more than happy to go elsewhere.

Dear Annie: I am writing in response to "Aging with Dignity," who was upset by the rudeness of a former high school classmate about the baldness of her husband.

I, too, am a balding man in my early 50s and have received a few barbs from time to time about my thinning hair. I find a quick-witted response is most appropriate in these situations. My favorite is, "I guess I'm just receiving my halo early."

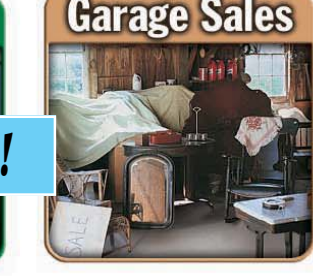
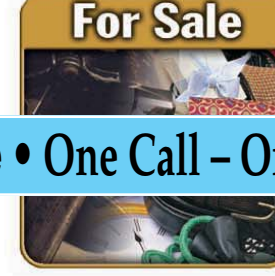
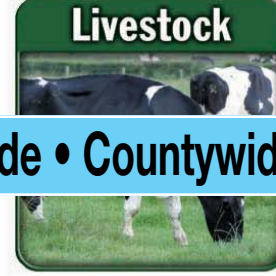
A little humor goes a long way. -- Proud To Be a Skin Head in Indy

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(6)	News (N)		Jeopardy!	Fortune	Movie: ★★ "The Polar Express" (2004)		20/20	News (N)			
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(8)	Paparazzi		Alma Gemela		Pelicula: "El Picaro" (1967)	Amador Bendayan.	Alma Gemela	Night Show			
(9)	News-Lehrer		Business	N. Calif.	Wash Wk	Great Performances		Bill Moyers Journal (N)			
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FAM	8 Rules	8 Rules	Frosty's	Movie: ★★ "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" (2001)	Daniel Radcliffe		700 Club				
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TNT	Law & Order (DVS)	Law & Order (DVS)	Movie: ★★ ★ "A Beautiful Mind" (2001)	Russell Crowe	(45) "A Beautiful Mind"						
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HBO	REAL Sports	Inside the NFL		Movie: "Big Momma's House 2"	24 7	24 7	Love	Morgan			
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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Trustee's Sale Number: 45201 TSG #: 3423924 Notice YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED December 15, 2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On December 6, 2007, at 10:00 AM, At the main entrance to the Mendocino County Courthouse, 100 North State Street, Ukiah CA, Alliance Title Company, as duly appointed trustee, will sell, at public auction to the highest bidder, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described property situated in Mendocino County, California: 9515 West Road, Redwood Valley CA 95470 - APN(s) 160-272-21. The Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said Sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to pay the remaining unpaid balance of the obligations secured by and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust (together with any modifications thereto), executed by Barry J. Inman and Diane M. Inman, Husband and Wife as joint tenants, as trustee, and recorded December 22, 2005, as Instrument Number 2005-27663 in the office of the Mendocino County Recorder. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligations secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$646,217.53, provided, however, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances, fees and any additional sums due under the terms of the Note will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the California Financial Code and authorized to do business in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the property receiver, if applicable. Date: November 16, 2007 Alliance Title Company, Trustee 209 Kearny Street, 2nd Floor, San Francisco, CA 94108 (415) 263-4300 By: Brandon L. Torrez, Authorized Signature Sale Information at 714-573-1965 or logon to www.priorityposting.com Use TS Number 45201 P335770 11/16, 11/23, 11/30/2007

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11-9,16,23,30/07
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No.: 2007-F0719 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS:
MADEMOISELLE BABETTE
205 School St.
Ukiah, CA 95482
Valeri Hammang-Campbell
310 Crestview Dr.
Ukiah, CA 95482
This business is conducted by an individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Oct. 26, 2007. Endorsed-Filed on Oct. 26, 2007 at the Mendocino County Clerks Office.
/s/Valeri Hammang-Campbell
VALERI HAMMANG-CAMPBELL

852-07

11-16,23,30,12-7/07
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No.: 2007-F0755 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS:
KENYA SAFARI TRAVEL
23990 A Howard St.
Covelo, CA 95428
Raymond Thoya
32151 Mendocino Pass Rd.
Covelo, CA 95428
This business is conducted by an individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Nov. 14, 2007. Endorsed-Filed on Nov. 14, 2007 at the Mendocino County Clerks Office.
/s/Raymond Thoya
RAYMOND THOYA

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No.: 2007-F0757 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS:
T&T ALL PURPOSE PAVEMENT CLEANSING
9670 Laughlin Way
Redwood Valley, CA 95470
Theron Raoul Taylor
9670 Laughlin Way
Redwood Valley, CA 95470
Sherilyn Ann Young
9680 Laughlin Way
Redwood Valley, CA 95470
This business is conducted by co-partners. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 11-15-07. Endorsed-Filed on 11/15/2007 at the Mendocino County Clerks Office.
/s/Sherilyn Young
SHERYLIN YOUNG

883-07
11-30,12-7,14,21/07
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No.: 2007-F0779 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS:
REAL PCS
812 N. State St.
Ukiah, CA 95482
Real PCS LLC
1410 S. McDowell St.
Suite D
Petaluma, CA 94954
This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The registrants commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Nov. 28, 2007. Endorsed-Filed on Nov. 28, 2007 at the Mendocino County Clerks Office.
/s/Alexander Rashed
ALEXANDER RASHED
LLC Partner

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, that a public hearing will be held before the Executive Director of the California Pollution Control Financing Authority (the "Authority") or his designee on Wednesday, December 19, 2007, at 10:00 a.m., California time, or as soon thereafter as such matters may be heard, in Room 470 of 915 Capitol Mall, Sacramento, California, on the proposed issuance by the Authority of one or more series of revenue bonds (the "Bonds") in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$4,345,000. Bond proceeds will be used to finance (i) the construction and equipping of, and site improvements to, a materials recovery facility and a diesel fueling station and the acquisition of equipment for the collection, processing and transfer of solid waste to be located at 350-351 Franklin Avenue, Willits, California 95454; (ii) improvements to an existing transfer station and site improvements to be located at 40855 Fish Rock Road, Gualala, California 95445; (iii) the acquisition or retrofitting of rolling stock and vehicles for the collection, processing and transfer of solid waste and the acquisition of collection carts, all which may be located from time to time at the locations listed in item (i) or (ii) above or at any of the following additional locations: (a) 90500 Refuse Road, Covelo, California 95428; (b) 1825 Branscomb Road, Laytonville, California 95454; (c) 37551 North Highway 1, Westport, California 95488; (d) 39992 South Highway 1, Gualala, California 95445; (e) 5801 Eastside Road, Talmage, California 95481; and (f) 555 Fort Bragg Road, Willits, California 95490; and (iv) the acquisition of collection carts to be located with customers in the City of Willits, California, in various unincorporated portions of Mendocino County, California and/or in the Brooktrails Township Community Services District. All financed assets will be owned and/or operated by Solid Wastes of Willits, Inc. and/or affiliates thereof.

Notice is further given that at said hearing all proponents and opponents of the proposed financing will have an opportunity to be heard on the question as to whether such revenue bonds should be issued. Written comments may also be submitted to the Authority prior to 5:00 p.m., California time, on Tuesday, December 18, 2007, at the address listed below. For further information, contact the office of the California Pollution Control Financing Authority at 915 Capitol Mall, Room 457, Sacramento, California 95814, by phone at (916) 654-5610, or by facsimile at (916) 657-4821. Dated: November 30, 2007.
MICHAEL PAPARIAN
Executive Director
California Pollution Control Financing Authority

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NOTICE OF CITY OF UKIAH ZONING ADMINISTRATOR PUBLIC HEARING

California Rural Service Minor Use Permit Amendment 07-40: 300 Seminary Avenue, Ukiah. Notice is hereby given that the City of Ukiah Zoning Administrator will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, December 11, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. or soon thereafter to discuss and act on a proposal to amend a previously approved Minor Use Permit. The proposal involves placing 3 small panel antennas on the existing Ukiah Civic Center communications tower, rather than the two larger ones previously approved. The panels are also proposed to be placed lower on the tower than previously approved. The proposal also involves the placement of three small equipment boxes within the existing equipment area below the existing communications tower. APPLICANT: California Rural Service/U.S. Cellular. PUBLIC HEARING: The public hearing will be conducted in Conference Room 1 at the Ukiah Civic Center, 300 Seminary Avenue, Ukiah, CA. All interested citizens are encouraged to review the proposed Minor Use Permit Amendment, and participate in the public hearing. Copies of the proposed application materials are available for review at the Ukiah Department of Planning and Community Development ? 300 Seminary Avenue, Ukiah. The City Zoning Administrator welcomes written or oral public participation on this matter. All interested persons may submit comments in writing to the Planning Department staff at 300 Seminary Avenue prior to the December 11, 2007 Public hearing. Information regarding this matter may be obtained by contacting the Department of Planning and Community Development at 463-6200, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.
/s/Charley Stump, Director of Planning and Community Development.

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LOST & FOUND

FOUND: Black & white long haired cat. Vic. of Tomki Rd. & West Rd. 485-7278



I am a female Aire-dale and I was found in Boonville at the intersection of HWY 253 and 128. I appear friendly to people and would like to go home. If not claimed, I will be available for adoption on 12/1. Missin a pet? Come to 298 Plant Rd. there are many lost animals here or call Sage 467-6453



I am a male cream and white cat off for a romantic walk with my B&W girlfriend on North Bush St. near Frank Zeek school. We thought of stopping by to visit the children and then amble on home when quick as a wink we found ourselves in a box and taken to the Ukiah shelter. Please help us find our way home. Call Sage at 467-6453.



I have a big problem. I was found Sat 11/25 on Clara St. with a broken pelvis. I was at the hospital until coming into the Ukiah shelter. I am a male tan Chihuahua with a black collar. Please help me find my people. Call Sage at 467-6453.

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LOST & FOUND



I sure do hope I was got lost and was not dumped. I was found Sun 11/25 on Orr Springs Rd and brought to the Ukiah shelter. I am an adult male Rottie/shepherd mix. If not claimed I will be available for adoption on 12/1. Missin a pet? Come to 298 Plant Rd. there are many lost animals here or call Sage 467-6453

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HELP WANTED

THE ROUND VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT is currently accepting applications for the following positions:
Teaching positions: Alternative Education - Indep. Study/ Continuation HS- Valid teaching crdntl req'd
Instructor's for ROP classes: 5 or more yrs of exp. in vocational trade & interested in teaching skills to young people.
On call Substitute Certified Teachers, daily rate \$150. Must possess or be able to obtain a valid 30 day sub., or other teaching crdntl issued by the Calif. Commission on Teacher Credentialing.
On call Sub. personnel in utility & maintenance dept, bus drivers & instructional aides also needed.
On call Sub. School Bus Drivers, if you are interested in becoming a bus driver, please contact Jennifer Bloom, Director of Transportation at (707) 983-6171 ext 105.
Interested persons may pick up an application or obtain additional info. at the District. Must pass a pre-employment physical examination, drug screen & Livescan fingerprint clearance & provide proof of a current T.B. Test. For more info., call 983-6171, ext 101.

120 HELP WANTED
PT JANITOR WILTS Subcontractors wanted. Call Pat Say for info. 476-8874

Accounting Assist. Materials - F/T at Hillside Health Ctr. \$10-\$15 DOE+ben. pkg. Fax: 468-0793 skennney@mchcinc.org www.mchcinc.org "Work for Us"

AIRPORT ATTENDANT: \$9.50 - 10.50/hour; 20/40 hrs/week; plus some benefits. Complete job description/application available at City of Ukiah, 300 Seminary Ave. Ukiah, CA 95482 www.cityofukiah.com **Deadline: 12/14/07. EOE**



Assistant Housekeeper. Wed. thru Sun. 9-4 \$12 hr. Call Orr Hot Springs 462-6277

Attention Pet Lovers! Nutro Products is now hiring dependable, outgoing, demonstrators to promote our cat & dog food in local pet retailers. Wknds. \$12/hr. 1-866-485-4798 Apply online at www.nutroproducts.com/demo.html

BANKING
Customer Service Representatives Savings Bank of Mendocino County is seeking qualified applicants for Customer Service Rep's. **F/T positions open at three branches in Ukiah.** Must be able to work at any branch location and be available to work Saturdays. If you have cash-handling exp. and excellent customer service skills, apply in person at Savings Bank of Mendocino County, 200 N. School Street, Ukiah by Monday, Dec. 3, 2007 at 4:00 p.m. Must pass Teller Test. EOE/AA m/f/v/d

Banking
Savings Bank of Mendocino County is seeking qualified applicants for a P/T Customer Service Rep. position. **A morning drive-up position is available.** (Mon-Thurs: 8:00-12:30 & Fri: 8:00-1:30). If you have cash-handling exp. & excellent customer service skills, apply in person at Savings Bank of Mendocino County, 200 N. School Street, Ukiah by Monday, December 3, 2007 at 4:00 p.m. Must pass Teller Test. EOE/AA m/f/v/d

BEST WESTERN Orchard Inn seeking for Front Desk Auditor FT/PT. Apply in person 462-1514

BUSY INSURANCE OFFICE FT position looking for receptionist/CSR No exp. nec. will train. Fax resume 462-8110

CASE MANAGER F/T in Ukiah, to help the elderly avoid nursing home placement. MSW pref'd; or BSW or related degree w/case mgmt exp. Competitive salary & exc. benefits. Resume, Cov. Ltr. to MSSP, 301 S. State St., Ukiah 95482 EOE

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Sport Chrysler Jeep Dodge
SALES DEPARTMENT
 No dealership Exp. Necessary
 Great Pay, Great Benefits
 Monthly Guarantee
 Plus Commission
 Bi-lingual a plus
Apply at
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FINANCE SPECIALIST
 Experience in Banking or Loan Industry helpful.
 Great Pay, Great Benefits
 Monthly Guarantee
 Plus Commission
Apply at
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 Fort Bragg, Ca 95437

120 HELP WANTED
CASEWORKER NICE OFFICE
 Native American Cash Assistance Program in Lake County. Exper. working w/Tribal people helpful. Clean DMV, drug testing, background check F/T salary \$30K w/benefits. Go to www.cttp.net for application & job description. Contact Colleen Pete at 707-262-4404 w/questions. Fax to 707-274-4233 resume & application. Indian hiring preference applies.

Criminal Defense Attorney: Local criminal defense firm seeks associate 10-20hrs/wk for appearances, client consultations, etc. Existing office a plus. Fax resume to 707-571-5521

DIESEL MECHANIC EXP. Clean DMV, good pay & benefits. 462-7393

Direct Care Work No Experience Needed!!
 Morning, evening, graveyard. Drug test required, no test for cannabis, good DMV. Personal care, cooking, cleaning, driving and providing living skills training to adults with developmental disabilities. Three 6 bed group homes, established in 1988. Call for interview 485-5168, 485-0165, 468-0602.

DRIVERS \$1000 HIRING BONUS
Golden State Overnight F/T & P/T with insured, dependable van or pickup with shell. Early am route in Mendo. & Lake Co. Benefits avail. **Contact Steven Koller 866-779-726 or skoller@gso.com**

Full Time Caregiver, mental health facility. PT Various shifts **\$8-\$10/hr. 467-0911 Health Ctr. Manager Mendo. Community Health Clinic, Inc.** (MCHC) seeks exp. professional to manage daily operations of the Little Lake Health Ctr in Willits. Must be strong team leader w/5 yrs + management exp; RN/LVN lic. a plus, but not req. Competitive compensation/benefits pkg. **Email skennney@mchcinc.org Fax 707-468-0793 www.mchcinc.org**

HILLSIDE HEALTH CENTER
 F/T licensed LVN Care Manager **LITTLE LAKE HEALTH CENTER** F/T licensed LVN or Certified Medical Assistant. Competitive salary DOE great benefits! Fax: 468-0793 skennney@mchcinc.org www.mchcinc.org

Medical Billing- Active group in Ukiah is seeking an experienced **FT Billing/Coding** professional who enjoys challenges, details & **opportunity.** Join our team and see what makes our Practice unique! **GREAT PAY/BENEFITS.** Fax resume to: (707) 965-9191

120 HELP WANTED
Hospitalist Program Manager needed to support the Hospitalist team at Ukiah Valley Medical Center. Skill set needed incl. office management customer relations, collaboration, data compilation, and extensive knowledge of computer programs. FT, M-F 8-5 \$45-50K + benefits. Fax resume to Pacific Redwood Medical Services: 467-3250

Howard Memorial Hospital
Come join our team.

- Cook: Contingent
- Clerk Registration, Contingent
- ER Tech. Clerk: Contingent
- Patient Service Representative: Contingent
- CNA: FT
- RN's-ER: FT, & Contingent
- RN's-ICU: Contingent, PT
- RN's-Med Surg-Contingent & FT nights, PT days,
- Respiratory Therapist: Contingent
- Physical Therapist/Outpatient: FT

HOME HEALTH AND HOSPICE

- RN: Contingent
- RN: Case Manager
- Physical Therapist: FT, Contingent
- PTA: FT, PT
- Occupational Therapist: PT

Apply Online at: www.HowardHospital.org

INSTILLING GOODNESS SCHOOL seeks substitute 4-6 teacher & teachers for ELD, US gov. & PE. Call 468-3896

JANITOR/LAUNDRY WORKER
 Responsible for providing Janitorial/Laundry services at the Residential Treatment Campus. Excellent benefits including medical, dental, vision, & tuition reimbursement. Must pass pre-employment physical, drug test and background check.

APPLY AT
 915 W. Church St., Ukiah or fax resume to 877-382-7617 www.trinityys.org EOE

OPTOMETRY OFFICE seeks energetic individual for FT assistant pos. Must have exc. communication skills, basic computer skills & be a team worker. Some benefits. Send resume to GPO 102 Scott St., Ukiah **Deadline: 12/12/07**

120 HELP WANTED

Join AmeriCorps and serve your community!

Work in a First 5 Mendocino School Readiness program where you can receive a living allowance (approximately \$12.00 an hour), education stipend, training and **life-changing experience.** Bilingual & AA degree preferred with early childhood education experience.

For more information call 467-5142 **Deadline to apply: 12/7/07**

LCSW/PSYCHOLOGIST (Current CA Lic). Tribal clinic Redwood Valley. Case load primarily Native American children below age 18. Contact Karla Tuttle: (707) 485-5115

Medical Assist. F/T. MA Cert. req. for MCHC Hillside Health Center OB exp. Bilingual a+. \$12-\$17 DOE + great ben. pkg. Fax: 468-0793 skennney@mchc.org www.mchcinc.org

Mendocino County Health & Human Services Agency Social Services Branch Currently recruiting for:
 ● **Senior Program Specialist**
 For further info go to: www.mss.ca.gov to: "Career Opportunities" Or call the Job line: 707-467-5866. Closes 12/21/07

On-line Sales
 Position for high-traffic web site. This is for an independent commissioned only contractor. Ukiah area, email only: udipublisher@pacific.net

Part time LVN Tired of high case loads? Provide support to 6 adults with Devel. Disabilities in their home and supervise staff. Office 485-5168 Cell 489-0022

Patient Services Representative Hillside Health Ctr. seeks exp. receptionist. Bilingual pref. Competitive sal. + great benefits. Fax: 468-0793 skennney@mchcinc.org www.mchcinc.org

120 HELP WANTED
 People to work with developmentally disabled adults one on one in their own home. All Shifts available. Call **Cindy 468-9331**

PHOTOGRAPHER The Ukiah Daily Journal is seeking a part-time photographer. This is a good job for someone who is looking to get published and hone their photography skills. Applicants must have their own gear. Knowledge of Photoshop is a plus. To apply, submit a resume and portfolio (either hardcopy or CD) to the front desk at 590 S. School Street, attention: **Chief Photographer.**

Project Director 30%/Social Work Case Mngr, 70% for HIV/AIDS prgrm in Lake & Mendo. Co's. Admin, supervisory, case management duties. MSW or related degree. HIV exp. pref. Starts Jan. 08. Resume, cover letter **Community Care HIV/AIDS Program, 301 S. State St., Ukiah: 468-9347 EOE.**

Promotional group seeks exp. contract **Executive Director.** Bachelors, admin. & managerial exp. req. **Contact HR@gomendo.com** **Deadline Dec. 10th 707-964-9010**

PT Caregiver for evenings/Sat. supporting man w/disability in home & community. Must have reliable trans. & good DMV. Call Lara 367-6934

PT Hairstylist for busy dwntn Willits salon. New, relaxing environ., 456-9757 or fax resume 459-8640

Red Fox Casino NOW HIRING
 ● Auditor - P/T
 ● Kitchen
 ● Tech
 ● Security,
 ● Cashiers
 ● 2 Floor Managers
 ● Exp. promotions & marketing person.
Friendly attitude helpful. Willing to train. 984-6800 or come in for application. 200 Cahto Dr. Laytonville ●●●●●●●● Now offering employee insurance after 90 days.

SENIOR ACCOUNTANT City of Willits **\$44,213-\$53,741 Annually**
 Excellent benefit package. This is the senior level accounting position reporting to the Finance Director and may include limited training duties with entry level department staff. Candidates must have completed at least six semester hours of college level introductory accounting coursework. An AA degree in business/accounting is desirable with at least two years of professional accounting or auditing experience, preferably in governmental/non-profit environment. EOE. Contact Human Resources Department at (707) 459-7120 or go to willitscity.com. Apply by 5:00 P.M. on Friday, December 7, 2007.

Sherwood Oaks Long Term Care Facility is currently hiring for:

- CNA
- RN/LVN Charge nurse

Call Nancy English at (707) 964-6333
Staff Accountant F/T for MCHC. General ledger exp. \$17.50-\$19 DOE plus great benefits pkg. Fax: 468-0793 Email: skennney@mchcinc.org www.mchcinc.org

The Boonville Lodge Bar & Grill now hiring bartenders & servers. Great atmosphere, top pay + good tips. Will train. 895-3823

120 HELP WANTED
STATE PRESCHOOL TEACHER
 PT - 4 hrs/day, 5 dws/wk, 10 mo/yr. \$13.72-\$17.51/hr **Mendocino County Office of Education View www.mcoe.us/jobs** Call 467-5012 or email hr@mcoe.us **Deadline to apply: November 30, 2007**

Therapeutic Residential Counselor: 1 FT Graveyard, 1 PT & On-call. 1yr exp req'd for graveyard pos. working with at-risk youth in Mendocino County. \$10-\$14 DOE. Excellent benefits supportive working environment. Mail resume to: **HR P.O. Box 422 Ukiah Ca 95482** or Fax: **(707)462-6994.**

Specify Job#11-TRC on cover letter or resume. Must pass fingerprint background, physical & TB before hire. Facility# 236802089.

TLC Child & Family Services seeks 2 additional homes for Shelter Care program. Applicants need to have at least 1 spare bdrm to house a child for up to 30 days. Guaranteed monthly allotment. Generous increase upon placement. Income tax-exempt. Exp. with children req. Parents will receive training, + Social Worker, in-home support & respite. Need 1 or 2-parent homes, with 1 parent home full time. Home with no more than 1 biological child considered. Retirees invited to apply. **Contact TLC 707-463-1100 Lic#236800809**

Ukiah residential childrens facility is looking for caring, responsible individuals to come join our team. Some exp. preferred but not necessary. Will provide on the job training. Starting sal. \$12.12 hr. 403B, great benefits & vacation package. **Fax resume to 463-6957**

250 BUSINESS RENTALS
A quiet offc. dwntn. 359 N. Oak, waiting rm., bus. ctr., kit., \$400 incl util. 463-1081

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 SCHOOL STREET OFFICE/RETAIL 1300+/- sq. ft. w/pkg.

BRAND NEW! BUILD TO SUIT Office or Medical 1974+/- sq. ft. w/pkg.

DOWNTOWN Hi-traffic loc. Ofc. Ste 1600+/- sq. ft. w/pkg.
MED. OFFICE or RETAIL South Orchard 3400+/- sq. ft. w/pkg **468-8951**

300 APARTMENTS UNFURNISHED
LEE KRAEMER PROPERTY MGMT Spacious 1bd1ba. \$750.

POOL, LAUNDRY, CARPORTS No Section 8. **463-2134**

PARK PLACE 1 bd. \$750, 2 bdr. \$860 TH \$1050. Pool/garg. 462-5009

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Spacious 2bd. Pool. H20, trash pd. \$825. Also 1bd. \$700. Ht. AC Pd. N/P. 462-6075 Se habla espanol.

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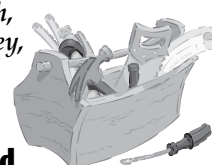
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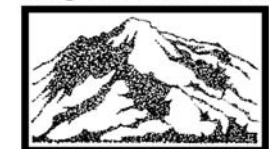
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